



# Child Care Chatter

*Resource Guide for Child Care Information*

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### *Mission Statement*

*To strengthen the community by providing education on early childhood development and the importance of quality child care, as well as offering resources and referrals to families, businesses, and child care professionals.*



## MID HUDSON VALLEY LEADERSHIP DAY

Engage • Inspire • Celebrate

### MID HUDSON VALLEY LEADERSHIP DAY

Friday, October 25, 2019 • 8:00 am – 3:45 pm

The Chateau, 240 Boulevard Road, Kingston, NY 12401

Celebrate Owners, Directors, Assistant Directors, Education Coordinators, Administrators, and anyone who supervises and supports staff in the Early Childhood Profession.

Professional Learning, Networking, Vendors and Giveaways! 6 hours of OCFS approved training. Hosted by Ulster BOCES, Family of Woodstock, NYAEYC and Community Playthings.

As leaders in the early childhood education field, you are the foundation of the care and education provided to children in our community. Mid-Hudson Valley Leadership Day is all about helping you bring out the best of your gifts and talents to continue to build a strong foundation.

Come be renewed with other leaders from our region, sharing in the desire for positive, fulfilling environments for our children, our families, our teachers, and ourselves. You will find inspiration in empowering, engaging training sessions and in networking with leaders who share your passions.

#### Presenters:

- Jeanine Fitzgerald: Working with Multi-Stressed Families and Helping Children Cope-Putting Humpty Back Together Again
- Fannie Glover: Staff Perspective on being an Introvert in Today's Workforce
- Community Playthings
- Quality Stars
- Bari Koral: Mindfulness & Yoga

#### Fee:

- Early Bird: \$80 (before September 17, 2019)
- Attendee: \$95 (September 18 - October 10, 2019)
- Student: \$60

#### Event Website:

<http://www.familyofwoodstockinc.org/mid-hudson-valley-leadership-day/>

#### Registration:

<http://www.familyofwoodstockinc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/MHV-2019-RegistrationForm.pdf>

#### Sponsorship Opportunities:

<http://www.familyofwoodstockinc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/MHV-Leadership-Day-Sponsor-Form-OnePage-2019.pdf>

*submitted by Kerry Wolfeil*

## CACFP NEWS

**CCE OFFERS 6 HOURS OF FREE CACFP CREDITS.**  
WE WILL MEET ONE HOUR A WEEK  
FOR 6 WEEKS AFTER HOURS AT YOUR DAYCARE.  
A FOOD TASTING EACH WEEK  
FOR HEALTHY LIFESTYLE SUPPORT  
PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.  
CONTACT JANIE GREENWALD TO SCHEDULE  
YOUR DAYCARE.  
[Jhg238@cornell.edu](mailto:Jhg238@cornell.edu)



The transition to **Minute Menu and KidKare** applications is underway. The KidKare application is FREE for you, though you can opt to purchase an affordable advanced version that helps with other administrative functions of your program, including tax forms.

If you are interested in participating in CACFP, contact our office and we will send you a Welcome Message that will include your login information for KidKare. If you already participate in CACFP, you will need to contact our office to have your Welcome Message resent.

All of your attendance, menus, and enrollment forms, will be entered and stored in KidKare (which can be accessed on a desk top, laptop, tablet, or any smartphone), then you can submit your claim electronically. This process will ultimately be faster which means your reimbursement will be received and mailed to you faster. You will still need to have available the attendance, time in/time out, and daily health checks of each child to be in regulatory compliance. Please use either LDSS-4443 or OCFS-6027 or another OCFS approved form.

**We will be requiring all programs with internet access to register on KidKare and start using the application by the first of the November. As of December 2019 (November submission), we will no longer be accepting paper menus, meal counts or attendance.**

We are available to help you through the transition and can help you with the KidKare application set up and data entry. All you need is a desk top, laptop, tablet, or any smartphone with internet access to get started. Call our office to schedule a time for face to face training. KidKare also has a lot of helpful training videos and resources on their site that easily walk you through the set up process. <https://app.kidkare.com>

We look forward to minimal paperwork, faster reimbursements, and quality time spent with the children in your program. Contact your CACFP representative with any questions or concerns.

**Ulster programs contact Cindy at 845-331-7080 Columbia/Greene programs contact Kristin at 518-822-1944**

*submitted by Cindy Eggers*

# ACTIVITIES & FUN



Submitted by Jessica Markle

# PROVIDER SHOUTOUT

The children explored different mediums from watercolors to Dot Dot markers to colored pencils in order to create a beautiful Sunflower class display!!!! They also had a wonderful time using actual sunflower to make colorful Sunflower Prints.

Kaity Altu ( Mountain Rise Day Care in Lake Katrine)



Submitted by Jessica Markle

## OCFS NEWS

### **Emergency Regulations will Prevent Medical Exemptions from Being Used for Non-Medical Purposes Departments of Health, Education and Office of Children and Family Services Release Additional Guidance for Children Attending School or Child Care**

ALBANY, N.Y. (August 16, 2019) - The New York State Department of Health and Office of Children and Family Services today issued emergency regulations further strengthening and clarifying the process by which physicians can grant medical exemptions under the new state law which repealed non-medical exemptions for children attending school or child care.

Effective immediately, physicians who issue medical exemptions will be required to complete the applicable medical exemption form approved by the New York State Department of Health or New York City Department of Education, which specifically outlines the medical reason(s) that prevent a child from being vaccinated. Additionally, the regulations require physicians to outline specific justifications for each required vaccine in order to be able to grant an exemption. Previously, regulations allowed for a physician to submit a signed statement to schools without having to document on an approved form stating why immunization may be detrimental to the children's health. The emergency regulations apply to all children statewide, and they continue to require that medical exemptions must be reissued annually.

By providing clear, evidence-based guidance to physicians regarding when immunization may be detrimental to a children's health, this emergency regulation will help prevent medical exemptions from being issued for inappropriate reasons.

(Source: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/news/article.php?idx=1966>)

### **Anchoring of Dressers and Televisions Required Under New Law**

Governor Andrew Cuomo signed legislation requiring the anchoring of large furniture and electronics at child care facilities. He said the measure "will help give parents peace of mind at a critical time in their children's lives and will help ensure that their homes or daycare facilities remain safe and secure environments." The new law (S.3563A/A.29A) takes effect 180 days after its signing, and is one of three laws announced August 13, 2019, designed to keep infants safe.

The three laws designed to keep infants safe announced:

- Enacts Harper Children's Law Requiring Retailers to Sell Tip Restraint Devices for New Furniture
- Requires Anchoring of Large Furniture and Electronics at Child Care Facilities
- Bans Sale of Crib Bumpers Pads Which Have Been Blamed for Infant Death and Injury

For more information go to <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/news/article.php?idx=1955>

(Source: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/news/article.php?idx=1956>)

*submitted by Kerry Wolfeil*

## HEALTH CARE CONSULTANT NEWS

### INDIVIDUAL HEALTH CARE PLAN

What is an Individual Health Care Plan, and who needs to have such a plan?

The actual plan is the form- OCFS -LDSS-7006 titled Individual Health Care Plan For A Child With Special Health Care Needs. This is a two-sided form and both sides must be completed for the child.

"A child with special health care needs means a child who has a chronic physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional condition expected to last 12 months or more and who requires health and related services of a type or amount beyond that required by children generally." Any child who has any of these special health care needs must have an Individual Health Care Plan. This is stated in Section 2 of all the Health Care Plans, as well as in the New York State Child Day Care Regulations.

Some examples are children with Asthma, Allergies, Seizures, Diabetes as well as children who may need speech services. If the program has School age children with 504 plans, then they too may also require an Individual Health Care Plan. The program must develop these plan in collaboration with the parent, and the child's health care provider.

As a Health Care Consultant, I have assisted in completing these forms. The format that I would recommend would start with the Diagnosis for the child, his or her symptoms (what the child exhibits and what to keep an eye out for), and what treatment, the Doctor orders for these specific symptoms. Next the program must identify who will provide this treatment, and their Credentials or Professional License Information (if applicable).

On the reverse side of the form is the section to describe what type of training is needed for the caregiver to carry out the health care plan. If the child had a diagnosis of Asthma, the care giver would need to be trained to recognize the symptoms that could be specific for that child as well as how to administer the medication as ordered by the MD. The form should specify if the medication will be used in a Nebulizer, an inhaler, with or without a spacer. The health care plan should list what staff have been instructed to treat the child. It is a good Idea to go over the plan with the staff and have them sign and date this.

The form is complete once the caregiver completes the program information and signs it as well as the parent signature and date. If you have any questions, please contact your Health Care Consultant.

This article written by Anne Grunbaum RN, BSN Health Care Consultant

*Submitted by Kerry Wolfeil*

## NUTRITION & HEALTH

### Healthy Lunch Ideas for School

Need healthy school lunch ideas for kids that they will eat can be easy when you have a few ideas in your back pocket. You'll find both cold and warm ideas for easy lunches even a picky eater will love.

#### Here are a few questions I try to ask myself when I am making my kid a healthy lunch-box

What is the protein in this lunch?

What is the healthy fat in this lunch?

How many colors of fruits and vegetables do I have? (I aim for 3-4)

Did I include whole grains?

#### How to Help Your Kid Eat Healthy

**Serve fresh fruits and vegetables at home often.**

**Test new main items at home first.** If they enjoyed dinner at home they are more likely to enjoy it for lunch because it is now familiar. Some things take many tries before kids will like it. (7-14 before they decide!)

**Try offering a single bite or two of a new food.** This works well with fresh fruits and vegetables, just add a piece or two next to fruits and veggies they love.

**Pack lunch together**

**It's ok if they don't eat it. Really it's ok!** Try again in a few days and pack something different tomorrow!

AS PARENTS, WE ARE IN CHARGE OF PROVIDING THE FOOD, AND OUR KIDS ARE IN CHARGE OF EATING. KEEP PROVIDING AND DON'T GIVE UP!

#### Here are some ideas

**CHEESE AND CRACKERS LUNCHABLE DIY** • So many kids bring the very popular Lunchables to school every day. But a sharp knife with a block of cheese and you can have a cheese and crackers style lunch in minutes.

**GRANOLA, FRUIT & YOGURT PARFAIT** • I often use plain yogurt sweetened with a little honey in my kid's lunchbox, and then add lots of fruit and granola toppings. Sometimes I'll use flavored yogurts (watch carefully the total grams of sugar).

**EASY KID KABOBS** • This is almost a trick because it has the ingredients of a sandwich but on a stick, so it's not quite the same. Give it a try, a little kabob can be magical for kids! This version has ham, cheese, whole wheat bread and cherry tomatoes.

**BUILD YOUR OWN TACO** • I can send warm taco filling of ground turkey, beans, cheese and corn. This lunch also features some strawberries, blueberries and a little lettuce for on top of your tortilla.

**COBB SALAD ON A KABOB** • Lean turkey, hard-boiled eggs and cherry tomatoes make a delicious lunch.



## INFANT/TODDLER NEWS

### Upcoming Training Opportunities

#### October:

- "The Importance of Sensory Play" –Make & Take

#### November:

- "Expanding on Story Time with Infants & Toddlers"

#### December:

- "The Magic of Movement" -Music and movement ideas for Infants & Toddlers

\*Flyers for specific training dates/ times will be sent out



### PROVIDER APPRECIATION

I would like to thank the following providers for welcoming me into their programs over the past few months- I look forward to continue working alongside you!

- Gene Knauss
- Marie Brandt
- UMC Greenville Child Care Center
- Cheryl Davies
- Stepping Stones at the Park Child Care Center

### Congratulations!

These amazing providers have begun the **Caring Spaces Endorsement** process!

- Little Hands Child Care Center
- Kaity Altu, Mountain Rise Daycare
- Joyful Moments Child Care Center
- Donna Cook



**Ashley Murray**

Infant & Toddler Specialist

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Columbia-Greene: (518)822-1944

[amurray@familyofwoodstockinc.org](mailto:amurray@familyofwoodstockinc.org)

"The fundamental job of a toddler is to rule the universe."

-Lawrence Kutner

## FROM OUR REGISTRARS

## What can I do to protect my child from lead?

**Wash away lead dust.**

Wash away lead dust, if you live in a home built before 1978.

- Wash children's hands and toys often, even if they don't look dirty.
- Mop floors often, and use damp cloths to clean windowsills. Pour dirty water into the toilet. Dry cloths spread dust.

**Keep an older home in good repair.**

If you live in a house or apartment built before 1978:



- Repair any peeling paint. Call your local health department before you or anyone else does any repair work to find out how to paint and repair safely. If you plan to hire a contractor or to do work in a rental unit, make sure you are familiar with the EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule (RRP). Contact the EPA at 800-424-5323 or [epa.gov/lead](http://epa.gov/lead) to learn more.
- Pregnant women and children should stay away from home repairs.
- Be careful toddlers don't eat or play with paint chips, plaster, dust or dirt.
- Ask your landlord or realtor about lead before you rent or buy a home.

**Don't bring lead into your home.**

Lead is in some children's jewelry and charms, and old painted toys and furniture.



Avoid using products that could have lead in them. Lead has been found in some traditional medicine, herbs, spices, and cosmetics from other countries (including Ayurvedic medicines, kohl, surma, liga, greta, azarcon, litargirio, and others).

Be extra careful with jobs or hobbies that involve working with lead, such as building restoration, plumbing, stained glass work, or using lead bullets, lead fishing sinkers, some craft paint, some kinds of pottery glaze, and lead solder.

- Shower, and change work clothes and shoes before going home to children.
- Wash your hands and face after work or hobby.
- Wash work clothes separately from other clothes.

**Keep lead out of your food.**

- Let tap water run for 1 minute before you use it. This will help clear out the lead from old plumbing. Use only cold tap water for drinking, cooking, and preparing infant formula.
- Use lead-free dishes and pots. Lead is more likely to be in pottery from Latin America, the Middle East, and India, and in painted china. Lead is also in leaded glass, crystal, and pewter.
- Avoid using herbs and spices that are contaminated with lead. Contact the FDA to learn more.

**Serve foods rich in calcium, iron, and vitamin C to help protect children from lead.**

Foods with calcium include milk, cheese, yogurt, and spinach. Foods with iron include beans, meat, peas, spinach, eggs, and cereal. Foods with vitamin C include oranges, orange juice, grapefruits, tomatoes, and green peppers.

**How can I know if a child has lead poisoning?**

A child with lead poisoning usually does not look or feel sick. The only sure way to know is to get a blood lead test.

Every child in New York must be tested at 1 year and again, at 2 years of age. Talk to your doctor about testing your child. Older children may also be at risk if they:

- Live, or regularly visit an older home/building with peeling or chipping paint, or recent remodeling
- Spent any time outside the U.S. in the past year  
*Foreign-born children should be tested upon arrival in the U.S and again 3-6 months later.*
- Have a brother/sister, housemate/playmate being followed for lead poisoning
- Eat non-food items or often put things in their mouths (such as toys, keys or jewelry)
- Often come in contact with an adult whose job or hobby involves exposure to lead
- Use traditional medicine, health remedies, powders, cosmetics, spices or food from other countries
- Eat food stored, cooked or served in leaded crystal, pewter or pottery from Asia or Latin America



For more information contact Columbia County (518) 828-3358; Greene County (607) 432-3911; Ulster County (845) 340-3150 (Source: <https://www.health.ny.gov/environmental/lead/>)

Submitted by Kerry Wolfel

## TRAINING INFORMATION

### TOPICS COVERED IN TRAININGS

1. Principles of Development
2. Nutrition and Health Needs
3. Child Day Care Program Development
4. Safety and Security Procedures
5. Business Record Maintenance and Management
6. Child Abuse and Maltreatment Identification and Prevention
7. Statutes and Regulations Pertaining to Child Abuse and Maltreatment
8. Statutes and Regulations Pertaining to Child Day Care
9. Education and Prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome

### TRAINING EXPECTATIONS

- **Payment** is due at time of registration.
- Please note **registration due dates**.
- **Children are not permitted** to attend any trainings.
- **Classes will be cancelled** when enrollment is not adequate.
- **No refunds!** Refunds are only given if training is cancelled or rescheduled by Child Care Connections.
- **Classes will start on time!** Doors are opened 15 minutes prior to class and are locked at start of class for security of participants.



### Have you forgotten about our Loan Closet?

We have board games, Pack-n-Play (portable crib), infant and toddler manipulatives, and Theme Boxes. Come on in to the office or call to have one of our staff bring you an item during their next visit to your program.

(845)331-7080 (ULSTER)

(518)822-1944 (COLUMBIA/GREENE)



### CPR AND FIRST AID CLASSES

October 5, 2019 \* 9AM-3PM  
(Hudson Office- 160 Fairview Ave, Suite 914)  
FEE: \$75

MARGE GAGNON  
PHONE • 845.706.6459  
EMAIL • [rwcsrca@aol.com](mailto:rwcsrca@aol.com)

TO REGISTER CALL OR GO ONLINE:  
NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL  
PHONE • 518.438.2365  
EMAIL • [www.safetycouncilny.com](http://www.safetycouncilny.com)



### VIDEO CONFERENCE

November 6th • 6:45PM-9:15PM  
*Safety*

TO REGISTER VISIT:

<http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/signup.shtm>

**TRAINING CALENDARS**

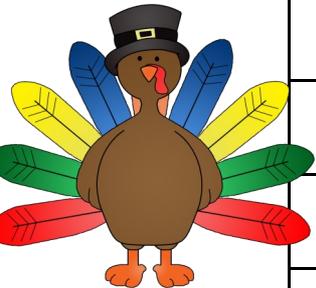
**OCTOBER**

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5 CPR /First Aid
6	7	8	9	10 Wholesome Behavior	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Sensory Play	18	19
20	21	22	23 Resilience Sensory Play	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 		



**NOVEMBER**

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Safety Video Conference	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Document Dilemma	14 Let's Move	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 	29	30



**DECEMBER**

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	4	5 Seasonal Sharing	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31				



## TRAININGS

### ACHIEVING WHOLESOME BEHAVIOR

*Presented by Sujata Sethi*

**Thursday, October 10, 2019 \* 6:30PM-8:30PM  
Hudson Office (160 Fairview Ave, Suite 914 \* Hudson)**

Our understanding of behavior informs and guides our approach to help children understand, process, and regulate their own behavior.

All individuals learn differently. Research on brain functioning shows certain elements greatly enhance the capacity of the brain to learn. In this training we will focus on two of these basic elements which are, 'attentioning' and 'essential slow'.

Through concrete examples from our daily experiences we will explore some key elements of behavior and learning that may impact our approach to children, make it more effective, productive, giving a better sense of accomplishment to both the caregiver and the child.

Topics: 1 & 3

To register please send payment by Thursday, October 3, 2019

(Please make checks payable to  
"Family of Woodstock, Inc.")

Fee: \$10

Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10

Target Audience: All Modalities



### SENSORY PLAY—MAKE & TAKE

*Presented by Ashley Murray*

**Thursday, October 17, 2019 \* 5:30PM-7:30PM  
Hudson Office (160 Fairview Ave, Suite 914 \* Hudson)**

Infants and toddlers are constantly using their senses to learn about the world around them. As, early childhood educators, we have an important job of creating environments that nurture and build upon sensory exploration and development. During this training we will discuss "WHY" sensory play is so important and how to incorporate some easy sensory activities into your daily plan. Everyone will be making their own sensory material, so please be prepared to have fun and \*possibly\* get a little messy!

Topics: 1 & 3

To register please send payment by Friday, October 11, 2019

(Please make checks payable to  
"Family of Woodstock, Inc.")

Fee: \$10

Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10

Target Audience: All Modalities



### BUILDING RESILIENCE IN CHILDREN

*Presented by Katrina LaLonde*

**Wednesday, October 23, 2019 \* 6:00-8:30 pm  
FOW (166 Albany Ave. \* Kingston)**

This training will briefly discuss Adverse childhood Experiences and ways to build resilience in children. Building resilience is key the social and emotional wellbeing leave this training able to: identify Adverse Childhood Experiences, define resilience, and list 5 ways to to build resilience in children.

Topics: 1, 2, 3 & 6

CBK: 1.2 & 1.3

To register please send payment by Wednesday, October 16, 2019

(Please make checks payable to  
"Family of Woodstock, Inc.")

Fee: \$10

Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10

Target Audience: All Modalities

### SENSORY PLAY—MAKE & TAKE

*Presented by Ashley Murray*

**Wednesday, October 23, 2019 \* 6:30PM-8:30PM  
Little Hands Child Care Center (23 Chestnut St. ,  
New Paltz)**

Infants and toddlers are constantly using their senses to learn about the world around them. As, early childhood educators, we have an important job of creating environments that nurture and build upon sensory exploration and development. During this training we will discuss "WHY" sensory play is so important and how to incorporate some easy sensory activities into your daily plan. Everyone will be making their own sensory material, so please be prepared to have fun and \*possibly\* get a little messy!

Topics: 1 & 3

To register please send payment by Wednesday, October 16, 2019

(Please make checks payable to  
"Family of Woodstock, Inc.")

Fee: \$10

Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10

Target Audience: All Modalities

## TRAININGS

### THE DOCUMENT DILEMMA

*Presented by Katrina LaLonde & Patricia Watkins*

**Wednesday, November 13, 2019**  
**6:30PM-8:30PM**  
**FOW (166 Albany Ave. \* Kingston)**

This training will review all the required documents for Family Day Care and how to organize them. We will review statues and regulations regarding what needs to be posted, children's files, staff files, what renewal documents a provider needs to keep on file, and how to organize it all so it is easily accessible when needed.

Topics: 4,5 & 7  
 Registration Due Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2019  
 Please make checks payable to "Family of Woodstock, Inc."  
 Fee: \$10  
 Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10



### LET'S MOVE

*Presented by Kristin Scace*

**Thursday, November 14, 2019 \* 6:30-8:30M**  
**Little Bear's Daycare & Learning Den**  
**(411 Rte 41, Freehold)**

Incorporating fun physical activities into you daily child care program. See how easy it can be to add some movement and exercise into your day. This fun training will give you several ideas to simply get your day care children using their large motor muscles. This training will also explain the benefits of mastering the skills of jumping, throwing, catching and more. Come with comfy clothes on.

Topics: 1, 2 & 3  
 To register please send payment by Thursday, November 7, 2019  
 (Please make checks payable to "Family of Woodstock, Inc.")  
 Fee: \$10  
 Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10  
 Target Audience: All Modalities



### SEASONAL SHARING

*Presented by CCC staff*

**Thursday, December 5, 2019 \* 6:30-8:30M**  
**Hudson Office**  
**(160 Fairview Ave, Suite 914 \* Hudson)**

Please bring a seasonal activity you do in your program to share. The first hour will be sharing your seasonal activities with each other. The second hour will consist of a networking session run by YOU, the providers!

Topics: 1, 3 & 5  
 To register please send payment by Wednesday, November 27, 2019  
 (Please make checks payable to "Family of Woodstock, Inc.")  
 Fee: \$10  
 Minimum class size: 3 • Maximum class size: 10  
 Target Audience: All Modalities



# ON SITE TRAINING JUST FOR YOU

If you would like to gain more knowledge about a specific topic, an individualized training can be set up to address your needs.

If you would like to earn training credit through Intensive Technical Assistance consider the following:

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	CHILD DEVELOPMENT	SAFETY & SECURITY	MARKETING/ ADVERTISING
REGULATIONS AND POLICIES	BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	HEALTH CARE NEEDS	PROGRAM EXPANSION
ROOM ARRANGEMENTS	STORY TIME ACTIVITIES	MENUS MADE SIMPLE	NUTRITION
GET ORGANIZED	BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT	PARENT COMMUNICATION	BUBBLE BOX
SAND PLAY	MINUTE IT TO WIN IT	TAKE A BITE OUT OF THE BOOK	CREATE A WEBSITE

Contact us at (845) 331-7080 (Ulster) or (518) 822-1944 (Columbia/Greene) to request a session or for additional information.

# OCFS Approved Distance Learning

Go to [www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu)

COURSE TITLE	HOURS	OCFS TOPICS
Early Intervention	1.5	1 • 4
Emergency Preparedness	1.5	4 • 7
Family Engagement	1.0	3 • 4
Keeping Children Safe	1.5	1 • 3 • 4 • 7
Infant Brain Development	1.0	1 • 3
Mandated Reporter Training	2.0	5 • 6 • 8
Managing Challenging Behavior	1.5	1
Obesity Prevention	2.0	2
Preventing SBS	1.0	1 • 9
Preventing SIDS & Promoting Safe Sleep	1.0	1 • 3 • 4 • 7
School Age Child Care	1.5	1 • 3 • 4
Supervision of Children	1.5	4
Transportation	2.0	3 • 4 • 7
Expulsion & Supervision Prevention Strategies	1.5	1 • 3 • 4 • 8



Check out our website for events and additional training opportunities:

[www.ccconnectionsny.org](http://www.ccconnectionsny.org)

## PROVIDER NEWS...

As a result of the comprehensive background check screening requirements, it is more important than ever that child care programs' active staff list be current. Please review your active staff list now and expunge anyone who is not actively working in the program. You may submit the OCFS-4622 Notice To Expunge Associated Fingerprint Card form to your licensor or registrar via mail or fax. For an updated list of your active staff you can contact your CCR&R office at (Ulster 845-331-7080 or Columbia/Greene 518-822-1944) To download the Notice To Expunge Associated Fingerprint Card form go to <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docsChildCare.asp> and search form# OCFS-4622.

Upon implementation of the federally required background checks, the office will no longer support the current fingerprint waiver process. This means staff will no longer be able to complete the Waiver for Submission of a Duplicate Fingerprint Card form (OCFS-4659) to have their fingerprints "waived" into new programs. The new staff must complete the comprehensive background check screening process. It is important to be aware that all new hires and current employees who you anticipate will work in multiple sites should contact their licensor or registrar now so that their fingerprints can be waived into these locations before implementation begins.

There is no specific date that this process will be implemented but it is tentatively scheduled to begin September 25, 2019.

*submitted by Kerry Wolfeil*

## RESOURCE CORNER

### OCFS Offering Free Graco Cribs to Three Types of Day Care Providers

OCFS is providing family-based child care providers a Graco Pack 'n Play crib – free. All legally-exempt, family day care, and group family day care homes are eligible to request one Pack 'n Play and one fitted sheet. Find out more about how to make a request , and see the OCFS hold harmless agreement . To make a request go to <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/assets/OCFS-PaknPlay-Safe-Sleep.pdf> (Source: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/infoforproviders.asp>)

### Follow the ABCs of Safe Sleep

Babies should sleep

# Alone

On their

# Back

In a

# Crib

Right from the start



- Safety-approved crib
- Firm mattress with a tight, fitted sheet
- No smoking around the baby
- No toys, pillows, loose sheets, blankets, or bumper pads in the crib
- Wearing a one-piece sleeper

## AGENCY NEWS

# WooHoo!!

## CONGRATULATIONS on your New Child Care Business!!! ( 6/1/19 - 8/31/19)

Ulster: The Children's House (FDC),

Children's Workshop of the Catskills @ Grant E. Morse Elementary School (DCC)

Healthy Kids Extended Day Program @ Robert Graves Elementary School (SACC)

Donna Cook (GFDC)

Just Like Home Family Daycare (GFDC)

Columbia: Little Blossoms Family Daycare (FDC)

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while offering quality child care**

Ulster:

Cornfield Daycare (FDC), Handle With Care Daycare (FDC), Angie Minew (GFDC), Susanne Reynolds (FDC), Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary's of the Snow (DCC), Cheryl Smith (FDC), Debra Snyder (FDC), Stepping Stones II (DCC), The Little Red Schoolhouse (DCC), The YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County @ Meyer Elementary School (SACC), The YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County @ Highland Elementary School (SACC), The YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County @ Chambers Elementary School (SACC), The YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County @ Crosby Elementary School (SACC), Woodland Playhouse LLC (DCC)

Columbia:

Wendy Bandy (FDC), Kelly Camacho (GFDC), O.K. Kids, Inc. @ Ichabod Crane Central Primary School (SACC), O.K. Kids, Inc. @ Ichabod Crane Middle School (SACC), Leah Stier (GFDC)

Greene:

All About Kids Enrichment Program, LLC (DCC)



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