WRAPPING UP 2022

for Satellite providers in accreditation

It’s time to send your 2022 continuing education documentation and completed Home Safety Checklist to your Satellite consultant. New forms for 2023 (Continuing Education and Home-Safety Checklist) are attached to this email.

Congratulations, Nancy Rosales of Paraíso Infantil Child Care Center for achieving her first accreditation. And a big thank you for joining the Satellite Advisory Committee—sharing your ideas and wisdom as we plan for the next year!

Congratulations, Amy Moore of Amy Moore Family Child Care for her accreditation and 17 years with Satellite!

Congratulations, Maria Luisa Mas of Peluchitos Day Care for achieving her first accreditation!
CURRICULUM IN ACTION

FEBRUARY 15 | 5:30-8 PM
Satellite Office–4709 Verona Road

Join with other Satellite providers in a guided conversation to explore:

- meaningful ways to integrate Satellite’s curriculum units into children’s learning within your program
- differentiated learning within each curriculum unit, including using each curriculum unit with children of different ages and abilities

SCHEDULE

Taco dinner provided starting at 5:30 pm.
Training 6-8 PM.
Units and equipment may be reserved, checked in and checked out beginning at 8 PM

in English and Spanish

2 hours Registry credit

Register Here

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Satellite Family Child Care System
Hello everyone! My name is Maria Luisa. In the spring of 2016 I opened the doors to my program "Peluchitos Day Care LLC". I have been very successful in choosing this career because it allows me to enjoy the simplest things in life, those that are priceless and that make your days blessed moments (hugs, smiles, words of encouragement, etc.). I meet those happy and tender faces of my children and build those positive relationships with them. That connection that we develop with love, respect, affection and above all knowing that in some way I will contribute to their good development, marking in them high levels of security and self-esteem. I love the participation and constant communication we maintain with parents since I make my program a family environment that allows my children to develop at their own pace.

I also want to tell you that I have a beautiful assistant that we call "the Little Bear of Secrets". She is a teddy bear that is usually on a high shelf. Sometimes I lower her, when one of my children wants to say something private or secret. For example: when they are intimidated because they know they have done something improper such as not sharing or pushing a friend, or when they are toilet training and they miss the pipi. Then many times it becomes more bearable for the little bear to ask them what happened and how they should solve it (obviously they know that I am the one who speaks through the little bear).

It is very tender.
CTM’S COMMUNITY DISCOUNT PROGRAM
25% OFF ALL SHOWS, ALL YEAR LONG!

Order tickets to any of our shows in the 2022-23 season by following these simple instructions:

1. Go to ctmtheater.org and click ‘See a Show’ in the top navigation bar, then select ‘Community Discount Program’
   - All sales are final. Regular online ticketing fees apply.
   - For shows at Overture Center, tickets will be held at will call at the Overture Box Office (201 State Street)
   - For shows at MYArts, tickets will be held at will call at the MYArts Box Office (1055 E Mifflin Street)
   - If you have any ordering questions, please call: 608-255-2080 x2

2. Click on your organization’s name to purchase tickets

3. Select a show date, time & ticket quantity to submit your order

We hope you’ll take advantage of this community benefit.
ENJOY THE SHOWS!

Satellite Programs may click on the “Reach Dane” organization when purchasing tickets.
Do you have information to share with our community?

Submissions of the following are welcome:

- Photos and video of your program or an activity (be certain you have photo release forms on file)
- Program news
- Events connected with your program
- Celebration of educational milestones, like the completion of a degree or credential
- Awards received

Submit items for the newsletter to Laura Simkin: lsimkin@reachdane.org

Submissions may be edited and/or adjusted for length.

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Professional Resources

Satellite Services

Mentor Program
Satellite new member application
Resource loans—equipment, curriculum units, & resource books

Dane County

Public Health Madison & Dane County

Wisconsin

T.E.A.C.H. Scholarship Program
REWARD Stipend Program
Wisconsin Early Childhood Shared Services Network (WEESSN)
The Wisconsin Registry
Educator Assistance Program
Child Care Forms and Publications (Licensing)
LOAN EQUIPMENT AND CURRICULUM UNITS
Satellite members have full access to Satellite’s equipment and curriculum units. Check the link below regularly to view our full lending options. When you sign up for equipment and units, your consultant will inform you of whether the item is available immediately or if you’re on the waitlist.

Satellite Equipment, Units and Book Loans

Updated: Infant Unit
New: Mini hollow blocks
New: Color Loose Parts Unit
New: Clothes washer
New: Toddler Dress-up
New: Jumbo Magnetic Building Tiles
New: Picnic Unit
New: Toddler Dress-up
Satellite members have full access to Satellite’s early childhood educator resource books. Check the link below to view our full lending options.

**Satellite Equipment, Units and Book Loans**

When you choose a book, your consultant will inform you of whether the item is available immediately or if you’re on the waiting list.
New Tax Guides for Child Care Businesses

We have some exciting news - and yes, it's about taxes! Civitas Strategies Early Start is proud to announce new, first-of-their-kind tax guide tools that were developed in partnership with Wisconsin Early Education Shared Services, a program of the Wisconsin Early Childhood Association (WECA).

The tax tools will help child care businesses take control of preparing their own taxes – saving them time and money. Read more about these helpful guides here:

- Turbo Tax Self-Employed Online Tax Preparation Guide for Child Care Businesses
- H&R Block Self-Employed Online Tax Preparation Guide for Child Care Businesses
- TaxAct Self-Employed Online Tax Preparation Guide for Child Care Businesses

New Resources to Support Your Child Care Business
250.04(8)
(8) REPORTING CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT. 
(b) The licensee shall document that each provider and substitute has received training at least every 2 years in all of the following:
   2. How to identify children who have been abused or neglected.
   3. The procedure for ensuring that all known or suspected cases of child abuse or neglect are immediately reported to the proper authorities.

Beginning on 1/1/2023, the department will no longer accept a review of the brochure “It Shouldn’t Hurt to Be a Child” to meet this requirement. The Department’s online training, “Mandated Reporter Online Training,” may be used to meet this requirement. “Strengthening Families” or “Darkness to Light” (also known as Stewards of Children) training may also be used to meet this requirement. Training may also be obtained from local child protective services, law enforcement, or other agencies that provide continuing education experiences. Training may be counted as continuing education. The Department-approved, entry-level course called Introduction to the Child Care Profession contains training in the identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect and may be used to meet the requirement for 2 years after the completion date of the course.

Safety Alert
Water Beads

https://abc7chicago.com/what-is-a-water-bead-beads-dangerous-are-toxic/12427754/

Free COVID Tests

https://www.sayyescovidhometest.org/
In Case You Missed It:
What Childcare Providers Need to Know about RSV

December 16, 2022

Last month we shared a new fact sheet about what you need to know about RSV. We wanted to share a few updates:

What Childcare Providers Need to Know About RSV Fact Sheet

- What Childcare Providers Need to Know About RSV is available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).
- The fact sheet covers when a child or staff member should stay home, when they can return, and how to help prevent the spread of RSV and other infectious diseases in your facility.

2023 Updates to K-12 Schools & Childcare COVID Operational Guidance

December 28, 2022

For the new year, we’ve made a few minor updates to our Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools & Childcare Programs.

[Download Latest Copy of Operational Guidance](#)
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Label mailed and dropped off items with “attention: Satellite” & and the Satellite staff person’s name

CONFIDENTIALITY
Satellite staff keep confidential within Satellite your program’s information that you share with your accreditation consultant, the Satellite director and the Satellite manager. This information is documented in records of contact that only Satellite’s staff access. Satellite’s team works together, harnessing our collective skills and knowledge to support your program.

Need assistance? Contact us so we can help!