



AALC NEWSLETTER-MARCH 2014

SPRING IS IN THE AIR!

Welcome to Spring!? It's almost here but we aren't there yet. We've had such a brutal winter it's nice to finally see the sun. The children can get out and play and run off some of that energy!



EAT SMART CELEBRATION!

As most of you have already heard we are now an Advanced Eat Smart Center! We will celebrate on Wednesday, March 26 @10 a.m.! Our 4&5 year olds will do a song and dance and present healthy foods from around the world. Becoming certified is a huge deal for our families and children. The Eat Smart Guidelines are a set of nutrition related recommendations for child care facilities which were written to help providers create a food and nutrition environment that will ultimately improve the health of our children. There are three levels; Minimum, Intermediate, and Advanced. Because children learn their food habits early, we can make a difference by modeling and teaching them good, healthy eating habits. We now have a written food and nutrition policy and a physical activity policy in place. We sent home copies of these policies in the past but if you are new to the facility or no longer have them please come see Ms. Teresa if you would like to have a copy.

ACCREDITATION!



For those of you who do not know All Aboard Learning Center is now re-accredited by Missouri Accreditation! What an accomplishment getting to this point! We are all proud of ourselves. Please thank your child's teacher for their hard work and dedication to this endeavor. It took everyone working together to achieve this and it is worth it. Our next renewal will be in 2017.

What does it mean for families?

- Research shows that a higher level of quality in child care and educational setting is associated with children having enhanced social skills, reduced behavioral problems, increased cooperation and improved language skills.
- Your children are provided with a developmentally appropriate and sound program with suitable equipment and supplies and well trained teachers, striving to provide children with the best experiences possible.
- Your child will learn to interact with other children, be exposed to developmentally appropriate materials and experiences, and most importantly acquire the tools to go out in the world and succeed!

What does it mean for the program?

- A child care program which has received MoA is part of a very unique and elite group.
- The program has worked very hard to achieve and maintain a high degree of performance and prides itself on continuous improvement and feel that it has earned trust and confidence of the families it serves.
- High standards offer parents unparalleled confidence that their children are receiving outstanding care and education.



DON'T FORGET OUR POT'O'GOLD FUNDRAISER!

Your child should bring their bottle home this week. Try to collect as many dimes as you can by the end of the month. The class with the most will have a party and their teachers will get a gift card for classroom supplies!



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Breakfast is over at 8:15
- Keep us up-to-date on any changes (work # or cell #)
 - Give us copies of shot records
 - We close at 6 p.m. Late fees apply if after 6
- Please call by 9 a.m. if your child will be late or absent
- **NO FOOD BROUGHT IN FROM OUTSIDE!**
 - Don't forget \$2 snack fee each month



MACE RECEIPTS

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Don't forget we are still collecting Mace receipts. The money we earn from these is used for much needed classroom materials. This ends March 21st so get them in!

We collect Box Tops For Education all year so keep them coming!



FYI

Did you know all our staff have CPR and First Aid?



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The center's mission is to provide a safe, structured and supportive program for the participating children; while at the same time, providing the opportunity for learning and functioning happily in an environment with others their own age.

