

Focus on NAEYC: What is Accreditation?

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is a professional organization for early childhood educators. As a group, they identify and set standards for high-quality programs based on research in early childhood education.

Because our children are so important to us, we have applied for accreditation through NAEYC. This is a long process that will result in many changes throughout the center. Please remember that these changes may feel like a big adjustment at first, but will result in a better quality of care and education for your children.

If you are concerned about any of the changes that have taken place, please speak to your child's teacher, Mrs. Jackson, or Berni. We would all be happy to answer any question you may have.

To learn more, visit the NAEYC web site at www.naeyc.org or rightchoiceforkids.org.

July Events

July 5—Center closed for Independence Day

July 6—Parent Handbooks and 2010-2011
Calendars will be available

July 16—Track & Field/BBQ Day—more info coming!

July 31—Open enrollment for fall 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Preschool staff to attend "Handwriting Without

How we use assessment

Assessments are a big part of any quality program, providing both a basis for planning and a way of monitoring each child's progress. We use three types of assessment in our center.

Developmental Screenings were done center-wide in June and will be used upon enrollment. The purpose of these screenings is to point out a possible need for further developmental assessment.

Informal Assessments in the form of observations are done on a weekly basis by classroom teachers to guide planning for each child's developmental level.

Formal Assessments are completed 2-4 times a year by classroom teachers in order to track each child's developmental progress.

If you have any questions, feel free to check with your child's teacher.



Staff Corner

The Child Development Associate (CDA) credential is awarded to early childhood teachers after the completion of classes, testing, observations, and professional development activities. Teachers with a CDA have demonstrated a greater understanding of the developmental needs of young children.

At USD 475 Child Development Center, we currently have 8 teachers and assistant teachers working toward their CDA. They have spent the last months working hard and are in the final stages of the process. They should all complete their certificates before fall!



School-Age and Montessori Programs

We are looking forward to adding the following programs in the fall:

- We will add a before- and after-school care program, including care for school-age children on non-school days and school breaks!
- We are also adding a Montessori preschool program. Montessori teachers are specially trained in the Montessori Philosophy. Watch for more information to come on the Montessori method!

Start date of Montessori program to be announced.

Numbers and Enrollment

Current enrollment: 81

Slots available: 95

News & Updates

Summer is here and that means planning for the upcoming school year. Our **new parent handbook and calendar** will be out to you all July 6.

There will be no changes to weekly tuition for the 2010-2011 school year. There will, however, be an **added enrollment fee for new families** enrolling in the center. This fee will be \$45 and may be reduced or waived during special enrollment periods, so keep checking our calendars and share the news with your friends and co-workers.

Our July Birthdays

Seth C. - 8th

Janeen L.H. - 9th

Rosalinda B.* - 26th

Charity H. - 26th



Happy Birthday!

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July Menu		Thursday 7/1			Friday 7/2				
				Breakfast: Hot pock-ets, tropical fruit salad, milk Lunch: Turkey tetraz-ini, peas, peaches, milk Snack: Graham crackers, milk			Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, grits, applesauce, milk Lunch: Meatloaf, baked potatoes, broccoli, pears, milk Snack: Jello cups, orange juice		
Monday 7/5		Tuesday 7/6		Wednesday 7/7		Thursday 7/8		Friday 7/9	
Breakfast: Poptarts, pineapples, milk Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed pota-toes, peas & carrots, peaches, milk Snack: Ritz crackers, apple juice		Breakfast: Pancakes, mandarin oranges, milk Lunch: Creole macaroni, corn, ap-plesauce, milk Snack: Vanilla pud-ding, orange juice		Breakfast: PB&J, pears, milk Lunch: Chicken fried rice, green beans, fruit cocktail, milk Snack: Teddy gra-hams, milk		Breakfast: Assorted cereal, applesauce, milk Lunch: Turkey yaki-soba, green beans, fruit cocktail, milk Snack: Bananas, milk		Breakfast: Sausage, hash browns, peaches, milk Lunch: Grilled cheese sandwich, French fries, baked beans, tropical fruit salad, milk Snack: Chocolate chip cookie, milk	
Monday 7/12		Tuesday 7/13		Wednesday 7/14		Thursday 7/15		Friday 7/16	
Breakfast: Blueberry muffins, fruit cock-tail, milk Lunch: Chili maca-roni, corn, diced peaches, milk Snack: Rice Krispie treats, water		Breakfast: Scrambled eggs w/ ham, biscuits, applesauce, milk Lunch: Roast turkey, corn bread, dressing, gravy, veg. medley, pears, milk Snack: Baked potato chips, apple juice		Breakfast: French toast, apple slices, milk Lunch: Ham & cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, mandarin or-anges, milk Snack: Sugar-free popsicle, lemonade		Breakfast: Pop tarts, diced peaches, milk Lunch: Beef ravioli, bread, wax beans, fruit salad, milk Snack: Yogurt, wa-ter		<i><u>Track and Field Day!</u></i> Breakfast: Cheerios, pears, milk Lunch: Grilled hot dog (preschool), grilled hamburgers, water-melon, corn, milk Snack: Ice cream, milk	
Monday 7/19		Tuesday 7/20		Wednesday 7/21		Thursday 7/22		Friday 7/23	
Breakfast: Pancakes, diced peaches, milk Lunch: Chicken cas-serole, bread, broc-coli, fruit cocktail, milk Snack: Teddy gra-hams, milk		Breakfast: Cheerios, pears, milk Lunch: Ham & cheese sandwich, peas, pineapple, milk Snack: Animal crackers, milk		Breakfast: UBR's, or-ange slices, milk Lunch: Grilled chicken sandwich, green beans, apple-sauce, milk Snack: Sliced ap-ples, water		Breakfast: Banana nut muffins, fruit cocktail, milk Lunch: Grilled cheese, carrots, fruit cocktail, milk Snack: Sliced or-anges, water		Breakfast: Hot pock-ets, sliced apples, milk Lunch: Spaghetti with meat balls, mixed vegetables, diced peaches, milk Snack: Vanilla wafers, fruit punch	
Monday 7/26		Tuesday 7/27		Wednesday 7/28		Thursday 7/29		Friday 7/30	
Breakfast: Egg & cheese hot pocket, orange slices, milk Lunch: Breaded chicken fingers, vege-table medley, mashed potatoes, milk Snack: Goldfish, milk		Breakfast: Blueberry muffins, fruit cocktail, milk Lunch: Chili maca-roni, corn, diced peaches, bread, milk Snack: Granola bar, apple juice		Breakfast: Oatmeal, apple sauce, milk Lunch: Roast turkey, gravy, cauliflower, but-tered noodles, diced pears, bread, milk Snack: Cantaloupe, fruit punch		Breakfast: Fruit whirls, sliced apples, milk Lunch: Ham & Cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, mandarin oranges, milk Snack: Banana, milk		Breakfast: Waffles, syrup, bananas, milk Lunch: Breaded fish, cheese potatoes, broccoli, apple-sauce, milk Snack: Orange slices slices, milk	

