



Alverno Early Learning Center

Family Newsletter October 2020

Dear Alverno Early Learning Center Families,

As cold and flu season begins, I'll briefly review our updated policies regarding illness and COVID-19. If your child has cold-like symptoms (such as sneezing, sore throat, coughing) or a fever over 99.6 F, please keep them home until symptoms subside. This differs from our typical sick child policy which allows for children with mild cold-like symptoms to attend. If your child has been in close contact with anyone who tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days, do not come to the center. Please notify me by phone or email. If you or your child is being tested for COVID-19, please remain at home until directed by your healthcare provider that it is safe to return to the center.

If you, your child, or a member of your immediate household test positive for COVID-19, please inform me immediately by phone or email. Please do not come to the center. Once contacted, I will reach out to the Milwaukee Health Department for further instruction.

Any response to a positive case of COVID-19 will be handled on a case by case basis. Children and employees who were determined to be in close contact with an individual who tests positive for COVID-19 will be directly and specifically notified. Any action the Milwaukee Health Department instructs the Early Learning Center to take (that directly affects you and your child) will be communicated to you immediately. Please check your email regularly.

The health and safety of the ELC community is a top priority. Please continue to work together with us to keep our families and staff healthy.

Many Thanks,

Kathy Moosavi, Manager



Kathy K. Assumes New Role

Congratulations to Kathy K. who taken the position of Assistant Manager of the ELC.

Kathy moved into this role in early August.

Kathy has been a teacher at the center since January of 1998 and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to her new role.

Congratulations!

Scholastic Books

Build Early Literacy

Each month families of the Early Learning Center are able to order children's books from Scholastic Book Clubs. Scholastic provides high quality, affordable and age appropriate books for children ages birth through eight years. Watch for catalogs and ordering information on the display case near the center entrance. To order online, follow the sign in directions and enter our code: **GYHTZ**

ELC Staff Participates in Day Long Training

State of Wisconsin licensing regulations require that all staff participate in a minimum of 25 hours of continuing education per year. In August the staff completed 8 hours of continuing education titled "Exploring Social Justice Teaching".

Upcoming Holiday Closings

November 26 & 27: Thanksgiving Break

December 21-January 1, 2021: Winter Break

We are OPEN on Presidential Election Day

Welcome New Teaching Staff

This semester we are pleased to welcome three new employees to the Early Learning Center Teaching Staff.

Deborah is teaching in the infant toddler loop. Deborah is a life long resident of Milwaukee who comes to the ELC with over 16 years of experience in the field. In her spare time Deborah enjoys spending time with family (especially her nieces and nephews!) and working on arts and crafts.

Jigisha is currently teaching in both the two year old room and the infant toddler loop. Jigisha has worked with children of all ages-infant through high schoolers. She is the mother of a college age daughter who enjoys cooking and music in her spare time. Jigisha has lived in the Milwaukee area for 2 and a half years.

Lisa comes to the center with over 17 years in the early care and education field. She is currently working in Room 13 and especially enjoys infants and toddlers. Lisa is a mother of three who enjoys yoga and reading and is an active contributor to Milwaukee Mom.



Our Mission

Alverno Early Learning Center exists to promote educational and personal development of every child and staff member who enters our doors. We will respects every child, parent and co-worker by keeping the lines of communication open and confidentiality a priority.

Hours:

Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Phone:

414-382-6076

Administration:

Kathy Moosavi-Manager

Kathy Kaufmann-Assistant Manager



Our Philosophy

Alverno Early Learning Center believes in high quality care and education for each child. Our program is based on the philosophy that:

- ◆ Children grow and develop through active explorations in a warm nurturing environment
- ◆ We believe in the uniqueness of each child, and strive to meet the individual need of each child.
- ◆ We provide a variety of educational experiences that place emphasis on child involvement and decision making.
- ◆ Activities are focused to enhance social, emotional, cognitive and language development.

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