

Children's Center Info



where it all begins...

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WELCOME to our team!

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Teacher

Make the Connection!

ChildrensCenterChicago.org
Keep up with important school information, deadlines, school closings and more!

CHILDREN'S CENTER PLEDGE

I am a Children's Center scholar.

I pledge to do my best.

I pledge to show the world that my destiny is success.

I pledge to be responsible for every task given to me.

I pledge to be respectful and carry myself with dignity.

I pledge to take pride in everything I do and to be a reflection of the school's

motto so that I may empower others, too.

Be Respectful,

School Closed!!



May 29th

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.

William Butler Yeats

Teacher Appreciation Week!

Teacher appreciation week is May 8th—12th. Parents feel free to show appreciation to your child's teacher! Our teacher's work really hard to provide excellence service to our children. Help us let them know they are appreciated. Write a thank you note for your child's teacher today!

No Limits Summer Camp—Sign Up Today !!!

Looking for something new this summer? Tired of the same old Park District and Day Camp summer programs? Then the Children's Center have just what you're looking for. Sign up for the No Limits Performing Arts & Fitness Summer Camp! The program is for children 6yrs -13yrs of age. A program where your child will learn while having fun! The program will run Monday-Friday, 8a - 4p, June 26th - August 18th. The fee for the entire summer is \$500 (cash paying parents only!!). Before and After camp available for a small fee (6-8a and 4p-6p). A \$100 non-refundable deposit is due by Friday, May 26th. Parents must sign-up their children to participate in the summer program. Action for Children accepted. SPACE IS LIMITED, SO RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW! If you have any questions, please see the main office or call (773) 264-5171.

Have you reserved your spot for the Fall yet! Remember the Children's Center goes year round, So if your child is going to be out for the Summer, please inform the office to reserve your spot for the Fall.

Awards & Graduation Ceremony

Our end of the year Graduation & Awards Ceremony will be held Thursday, June 8th from 5:30pm—7:30pm the location will be announced at a later date. Ceremony fees are \$60.00 for all graduates. Graduation fees cover rental cost, refreshments, class trip, Graduation Caps & Tassels and printing fees. Our Kindergarten and 3rd grade students will be our 2017 graduates! We will also conduct our End of the Year Awards Ceremony. Children ages 1yr and up will be awarded certificates for their accomplishments throughout the school year. This is an open seat event, there are no tickets. Thank you in advance for your support and participation.

End of the Year Party!

The end of the year party will be held Friday, June 16th. Parent's are asked to see your child's teacher pertaining to items needed in order to make the party a success.



The Children's Center is pleased to offer **MyProcure**, a free online portal for you to access account information and easily pay tuition. **MyProcure** is safe, secure and created with your convenience in mind. Emails will be sent out on April 5th. If you do not receive an email please check your junk mail or update your email information in the main office.



Get Your Tickets Now!

Help us create a night to remember for you and your son. Saturday, May 20, 2017, the Children's Center, Inc. will be hosting their 1st Mom Prom. Filled with fun, food and prizes, this is an event that you don't want to miss. Tickets are **\$40 per family** and can be purchased in the main office. Please see the office if you have additional questions.

What's Happening Next....

May 2017

Date	Event
8-12	Teacher Appreciation Week!
10	Mom Prom Money Due! \$40
14	Happy Mother's Day!
16	Pizza Party Money Due! \$5.00
18	Staff development: Early Pick-up 4:00pm
19	Pizza Party
20	Mom Prom! Buy your tickets today!
24-25	Picture Day!
25	Parent Meeting beginning at 5pm. Refreshments will be served.
29	School Closed—Memorial Day

EDUCATION:

- ◆ Take charge - Children crave limits which help them understand an often confusing world. Show your love by giving boundaries so your kids can explore and discover their passions safely.
- ◆ Don't clip your child's wings- Your toddlers mission in life is to gain independence. So when he/she is developmentally capable of putting his/her toys away, clearing his/her plate from the table, and dressing herself/himself, let him/her do it. Giving a child responsibility is good for his/her self-esteem (and your sanity!).

NUTRITION: Healthy Snack Ideas-

- ◆ "Ants on a log" (celery with peanut butter and raisins)
- ◆ Fresh or canned fruit (canned in 100% juice, not syrup) with fat-free or low-fat yogurt
- ◆ Whole-grain crackers with low-fat cheese
- ◆ Vegetables" matchsticks" (thin sticks made from fresh carrots, zucchini, or bell peppers)
- ◆ Apple slices with peanut butter
- ◆ Unsalted pretzels or air-popped popcorn
- ◆ Baked (not fried) tortilla chips and salsa
- ◆ Put fresh fruit in a bowl that's easy to reach in the refrigerator or on the kitchen counter. This will make it easier for children to grab a healthy snack.

Job:

- Apply to Drive with Lyft– Lyft.com
- Finding A Job/USA.gov

Get paid when you Train- Free IT training for young adults: www.manpower.org/Pad-IT.Training

Recipe of the Month:

Middle Eastern cuisine is very diverse with flavors and influences from India and the Mediterranean countries. Many Middle Eastern countries practice the religion of Islam and follow strict dietary rules such as no pork and alcohol. Popular meats eaten in these countries are lamb, fish, and chicken, and these meats are sometimes skewered with vegetables for kabobs. Middle Eastern cooking uses many aromatic spices such as curry, cumin, cardamom, nutmeg, and allspice. Other common ingredients include olives and olive oil, garlic, honey, rice, yogurt, chickpeas, eggplants and flatbreads such as pita.

Delicious Curried Chicken (Yield: 10 servings) Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 tsp curry powder
- 1 tsp thyme,
- crushed 1 stalk scallion,
- chopped 1 Tbsp hot pepper,
- chopped 1 tsp black pepper,
- ground 8 cloves garlic,
- crushed 1 Tbsp ginger,
- grated 3/4 tsp salt 8 pieces chicken,
- skinless (4 breasts and 4 drumsticks)
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 Cup water
- 1 medium white potato, diced *
- 1 large onion, chopped

Preparation: Mix together curry powder, thyme, scallion, hot pepper, cayenne pepper, black pepper, garlic, ginger, onion, and salt. Sprinkle seasoning mixture on chicken. Marinate for at least 2 hours in refrigerator. Heat oil in skillet over medium flame. Add chicken and sauté. Add water and allow chicken to cook over medium heat for 30 minutes. Add diced potatoes and cook for an added 30 minutes. Add onions and cook for 15 minutes more or until meat is tender. *To increase fiber, substitute whole-grain brown rice.

Black History Facts 365

May 6, 1960

President Eisenhower signed Civil Rights Act of 1960.

May 13 1969

In Fayette, Mississippi on May 13, 1969; James Charles Evers (1922-) was elected the first black mayor of a racially mixed Mississippi town. In June 1971, he became the first black in this century to seek the governor's office.

May 14, 1961

Bus with first group of Freedom Riders bombed and burned by segregationists outside Anniston, Alabama. Group was attacked in Anniston and Birmingham.

May 22, 1959

Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. becomes the first African American general in the U.S. Air Force. His father was the first African American general in the U.S. Army.

Happy Birthday

Janice Elem
Zyonne Gardner
Saniya Gibson
Allison C Griffin

Bobbi M Griffin
Jermere Hardimon
Terrell Jones
Heaven Lee

Taylor Miles
Brielle Spencer
Treyon Stewart
Aubri S Taylor

Staff Birthday's

Joi Sanderson—5/2
Davicka Diffay—5/29



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