NEW THIS YEAR! As we continue to work hard at being our B.E.S.T., as well as provide excellent customer service and keep up with the constant changes in the world of Child Development, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Instead of completely closing to meet the 2017-18 mandated training requirements of the City of Chicago, Action For Children, Pre-School for All and our Delegate Agency, Ada S. McKinley, we are implementing a Summer Break Session. This year’s Summer Break is August 21st - September 1st. Summer Break hours for daycare children will be from 7:00 am - 4:00 pm. Parents who are in need of childcare for the two weeks are asked to sign up in the main office by July 31st. Children who have OUTSTANDING BALANCES and who are not signed up for those 2 weeks, will not be able to attend.

Please make a note that No Limits Summer Camp ends Friday, August 18th and the Academy will be closed to all school aged children during this time.

We will be closed on Monday, September 4th for the Labor day holiday and will resume on our regular schedule of 6am—6pm on Tuesday, September 5th. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Staff Development Day
Staff Development Day is Thursday, August 17th. The school will close at 4pm on this date, at 4:01pm all late fees will apply. We are thanking all parents in advance for your cooperation. Late parents will be charged a late fee which is due at the time of pick-up or upon returning to school.

Tuition Reminder
All tuition and monthly co-payments must be brought up to date immediately. Students who are behind more than two weeks will be unable to return to class. Tuition is due every Monday, and on the 1st of the month for those who pay a monthly co-payment. When paying on back tuition, please allow 3 to 5 business days for processing. If you are unsure of what you owe, please see Ms. Joi.

School Uniform
Children’s Center Academy school uniform consist of khaki bottoms, white or light blue collared shirt, and black shoes. This uniform will be strictly enforced. Children are expected to be in uniform on the first day of school, and ready to have a full day of class. Thank you for your participation! School begins, Tuesday, September 5th.

Registration Fees/Updated Information
As a reminder, the annual non-refundable registration fee is due by August 31st. Registration fees are $75 for childcare students and $125 for Academy students.

As we approach the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, please ensure that all required information is returned to the office by Friday, August 25th. This includes but not limited to; Physical, Dental exam, Emergency Sheet, Enrollment Form, Early/Head Start Packet, and 2017-2018 CACFP Household Eligibility Application

Thank you to everyone that participated in our first Mom Prom! It was truly a success. Congratulations to Kristina.
Caffeinated beverages often contain empty calories and children don’t get the vitamins and minerals they need from healthy sources, putting them at risk for nutritional deficiencies.

♦ Caffeine can make heart problems or nervous disorders worse, and some children might not know that they’re at risk.

**EDUCATION:**

**The Perfect Toy is YOU**— Don’t underestimate your role. It’s you who put up the mobile, turned it on, and encouraged your baby to follow. It’s you who first showed your baby how to stack those blocks; when you sit side-by-side with your children and paint, color, or read a story, you give them the attention they need to build their self-esteem and feel loved and secure. Toys are a tool to help kids develop, but it is parents who nurture that growth!

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

Chicago Job Resources – Jobsinchicago.com

Ex-Offender Re-entry initiatives: For more information, please feel free to explore current job opportunities at:

[www.cityofChicago.org/careerworks](http://www.cityofChicago.org/careerworks)

Our kindergarten program is a comprehensive, skill based program designed to prepare your child for first grade and future success in school. Enroll your child today in the Children’s Center Academy!

**Program Features Include:**

⇒ Small Classroom size
⇒ Christian based curriculum (ABEKA)
⇒ Experience and qualified teachers
⇒ Affordable tuition
⇒ Before and After School Care

**HEALTH & SAFETY:**

Summer Health Hazards to Avoid — We love a good picnic, but not so much if the mayonnaise sits out too long.

♦ Keep cold foods cold.

♦ Don’t keep any foods at room temperature longer than 2 hours – or 1 hour if it’s warmer than 90 degrees outdoors.

♦ Don’t reuse platters that have held raw meat until you washed them thoroughly.

If you can bend your flip-flop in half, it’s too flimsy to give the proper support to your foot. The best ones are sturdy and of a high-quality of leather. Flip-flops are fine for the beach, the pool, and the locker room where they can stomp out athlete’s foot. BUT don’t run, walk long distances, or play sports in them. You could sprain an ankle.

**NUTRITION:**

Here are some reasons to limit children’s caffeine intake:

♦ Children who consume one or more 12 oz. soft drinks a day are 60% more likely to be obese.