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VERY IMPORTANT! 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!** To meet the 2018-19 mandated training requirements of the City of Chicago, Action For Children, Pre-School for All and our Delegate Agency, Ada S. McKinley, we have implemented a Summer Break Session. This year's Summer Break is August 20th - 31st. Summer Break hours for daycare children will be from 7:00 am - 4:00 pm. In prep-

aration for the 2018-19 school year, **Children's Center Inc. will be closed August 29th—31st to all students.** Parents who are in need of childcare are asked to sign up in the main office by July 31st. Children who have OUTSTANDING BALANCES and who are not signed up, will not be able to attend.

Please make a note that No Limits Summer Camp ends Friday, August 17th and the Academy will be closed to all school aged children during this time.

We will be closed on Monday, September 3rd for the Labor day holiday and will begin our NEW schedule of 5:30am—9:30pm on Tuesday, September 4th. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Staff Development Day

Staff Development Day is Thursday, July 19th. 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.

Preparation for the New School Year

Due to budget cuts and low enrollment, effective September 1, 2018 the Children's Center, Academy will no longer service full day 1st—3rd grade. We will continue to offer FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN, using the Abeka Curriculum. **Kindergartners will not have to wear uniforms.** Also, beginning in September, we will now offer transportation to and from neighboring schools for our No Limits, Before and After School students. (Transportation, to and from home is not provided at this time.) Please see the office for details and to sign –up.



New Hours of Operation

Effective September 4, 2018 the Children's Center, Inc. new hours of operation will be 5:30am—9:30pm, Monday—Friday, and Saturday, 7am—4pm. DCFS rule 407.260(c) states that children can not be in care for more than 12hrs. Therefore, schedule pickup and drop-off times will be implemented and enforced. Please see the office for more information.

Make the Connection!

<u>ChildrensCenterChicago.org</u>

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

ENROLL TODAY!



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

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Ms. Vernetta
One Summer Chicago,
Summer Camp Workers
No Limits, Summer
Camp Workers



With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts.

Eleanor Roosevelt

What's Happening Next.... July 2018 NUTRITION:

Date	Event
2	A Trip to the Movies—No Limits
3	Millennium Park—No Limits
4	School Closed—Independence Day
11	Smart Museum—No Limits Trip to the movies—Head Start
17	Mad Science—No Limits
18	Trip to Chicago Sky—No Limits
19	Insect Fest—Head Start & No Limits Staff development: Early Pick-up 4:00pm
20	Muzic Net Field Trip
24	AQUAPONICS WORKSHOP
25	Lincoln Park Zoo (All School) \$10 for chaperones due by July 18th
26	Cotton Fun Farm (Swim Suit Needed)

Health & Safety:

Recognizing Dehydration -

If your child has fever, diarrhea, or vomiting, or is sweating a lot on a hot day or during intense physical activity, watch for signs of dehydration, which can include:

*Dry or sticky mouth * Few or no tears when crying *Eyes that look sunken into the head

- *Soft spot (fontanel) on top of baby's head that looks sunken *Lack of urine or wet diapers for 6 -8 hours in an infant (or only a very small amount of dark yellow urine)
- *Lack of urine for 12 hours in an older child (or only a very small amount of dark yellow urine) *Dry, cool skin *Lethargy or irritability *Fatigue or dizziness in an older child

Preventing Dehydration ---

It is important that children drink often during hot weather. Those who participate in sports or strenuous activities should drink some extra fluid before the activity begins. They should drink at regular intervals (about every 20 minutes) during the course of the activity and after it ends. Sports practices should be scheduled for the early morning or late afternoon to avoid the hottest part of the day. Children should start drinking before thirst develops and consume additional fluids even after thirst is quenched.

Summer is ripe with our children's favorite foods, yet so many summer foods are dietary disasters. Yes, children can eat healthy and still enjoy their favorite summer foods. So let them eat hamburgers, hot dogs, ice creamy treats, and desserts, just handle them right. That is, let them eat sweets like any other food but a little bit every day. That's how children develop a healthy relationship with sweet foods. Pump up their activity that week or that day so they can burn it off. Also, teach children to share sweet and fatty foods so everyone gets a taste, but no one overeats.

EDUCATION:

- *Visit the local library for books, videos, music, games, activities, story times, and summer reading programs
- *Arts and crafts activities? Visit: Creative Kids at Home's Sumer Activities for fun ideas
- *Cooking? Have children plan, shop, and prepare for a family dinner each week. They can visit the award winning children's cooking website, Spatulatta, for measuring instructions, safety tips, and more.

*JOB/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

metrochicagojobs.com www.snagajob.com FlexJobs.com

Recipe of the Month

Chocolate Banana Milkshake

"Yummy milkshake for those hot summer days!"

Ingredients

- 1 banana, frozen and chunked
- 6 tablespoons powdered chocolate-

flavored malt drink mix (such as Ovaltine (R))

1 cup milk

2 cups vanilla ice cream

Directions

Place the frozen banana chunks, powdered drink mix, milk, and vanilla ice cream into a blender, and blend until smooth and creamy. Pour into large glasses.

Facts 365

July 2, 1777

Vermont became the first

American colony to abolish slavery. By 1783 slavery was prohibited in Massachusetts and New Hampshire Pennsylvania passed a gradual emancipation law in 1780.

Connecticut and Rhode Island barred slavery in 1784 and were followed by New York (gradual emancipation) and New Jersey in 1799 and 1804, respectively. Slavery died in the North as a direct result of forces set in motion by the Rights of Man movement.

July 8, 1876

White terrorists attacked Black Republicans in Hamburg, S.C., killing five.

College Facts 365

Oberlin College was the first to graduate an African-American woman in 1862—her name was Mary Jane Patterson.

Happy Birthday

Dwight Allen, Kassidy J Allen Journey Hanson Journia Hanson La'Bella R Hendricks

London S Triplett Kenedyann Walton Lailah D Watson Braelon J White

Damahji Jones Nakiya McKinney King Paul McMillion Mikylah A Sherman Ka'Miya Smith



Staff Birthday's

Kimberly Russell—7/2 Lauryn Cotton—7/3 Donlecia R Blassingill-7/14 Demetrie Smith—7/19 Sylvia R Cook—7/23