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Every child can learn, play & succeed!

February 2023 Newsletter

Announcements

This month we would like to feature Russell Adels. He is a very active community member and businessman. He is an Insurance Advisor at Leavitt Group and has been an ECCLPS Board member since 2016. He still enjoys participating in rodeo events, and in 2021, took first place in the ribbon roping event. He has history with FFA, and you are more likely to see him in jeans and a cowboy hat, than a suit and tie. Thanks for always being involved whole-heartedly in everything you do Russell, we appreciate YOU!



ECCLPS News

ECCLPS would like to thank all who attended the **ECCLPS/NJC ECE Conference** in January! It was so great to see all of you and we hope you had a fun time attending, once again, in person. Thanks so much to our Presenters, our Vendors, to everyone who donated a door prize, and to NJC for providing meals and beverages!

We would love any feedback you may want to offer, so we can continue to improve each year. We're already looking forward to next year!

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FEBRUARY TIDBIT:

The weather is very snowy and cold. However you still need to attempt to have daily outside time. Both Centers and Homes must have usable outdoor space and must attempt to utilize it daily. It is the provider's responsibility to keep the area safe and usable. With all the recent snow, which we haven't seen a lot of in the past few years, please make sure you are keeping your outside areas safe and free of hazards but also **usable**. You should be going outside daily unless there is inclement/extreme weather. Snow on the ground is not an acceptable reason not to have outside time.

Save the Date

February 2 - **Grand Re-Opening NJC Cosmetology Salon**
1102 Sidney Ave
4:00 - 6:00 PM

February 3 - **First Friday Concert**
130 S. 4th St. Sterling www.facebook.com/FPC.Sterling Mike Tyson, Tenor
12:05 - 12:35 PM

February 4 - **Adult & Pediatric First Aid/ CPR/AED**
NJC Knowles Hall Room 312
www.njc.edu Register online or call
Amber Piel 970-521-6773

February 4 - **Farm & Home Show**
Phillips County Event Center
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

February 9 - **Hippodrome Art Exhibition**
215 N. Cedar Julesburg
7:00 PM

February 11 - **MMHF 13th Annual Legacy Event "Fairy Tale"**
Phillips County Event Center
5:00 PM

February 14 - *Happy Valentine's Day*

February 18 - **Ducks Unlimited Banquet**
Sedgwick County Fairgrounds
For Information Call: 970-520-2982

February 27 - **ECCLPS Partner Meeting**
11:50 AM -12:50 PM

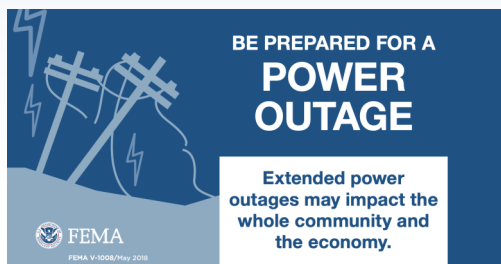
February 27 - **ECCLPS Provider Training**
Amy Nation: **"Assessments: The Key to Unlock the Behavior Unknowns"**
6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Check out all Logan County Events here](#)
[Sedgwick County Events](#)
[Phillips County Events](#)

This has been quite a year for extreme weather. Here is a great place to make sure you're up to date and prepared for Colorado weather, and all it can bring.



Here is another resource to help you be prepared and keep the children in your care safe.



****As the snow begins to melt, be prepared for flooding conditions as well! Seepage can cause all kinds of issues, including mold. Take steps to remove snow away from your building to help prevent additional hazards.****

Health Insurance for Child Care Providers and Families Info



ECCLPS is now offering the **Child Care Read Program!** If you're interested in us coming to your Center, School, or Home please call 970-466-0778 or email [Mary Pennock](mailto:Mary.Pennock)



To "Finish What You Started"
Call or email Vanessa Soliz at 970-521-6672 or vanessa.soliz@njc.edu

NORTHEASTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT COMING **BACK** TO SCHOOL?
It is never too late!!

If you have college credits, but no degree... there are scholarships available to help you complete it!!

Call Vanessa at 970-521-6672 or email Vanessa.Soliz@njc.edu for more information!

FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED

The advertisement features a central illustration of a young woman with dark hair, wearing a yellow shirt, sitting at a desk and writing in a notebook. There is a green plant on the desk and a green mug. Surrounding the illustration are icons of a ruler, a protractor, and a graduation cap. The Northeastern Junior College logo is at the top left, and a shield-shaped logo with the text 'FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED' is at the bottom right.

UPK Launch

ECCLPS is excited to be a part of the UPK launch!

Universal Preschool (UPK) Colorado allows families to choose the right setting for their child, whether it is in a licensed community-based, school-based or home-based preschool setting. Families of children in the year before they are eligible for kindergarten, and qualifying 3-year-olds, are able to apply for UPK Colorado for the 2023-24 school year beginning on January 17, 2023.

Providers, we strongly encourage you to share the information below with your families! (Click on “Family Login”)

[UPK Family Enrollment Information](#)

For additional information about UPK Colorado for providers and families, go to:

[UPK Colorado](#)

If you need assistance or have questions, please feel free to contact ECCLPS. 970-526-2440 or email [Michelle](#)

We recognize there has been a lot of confusion and frustration with UPK, but please hang in there. As with anything new, there are a lot of unforeseen things that come up, and everyone is doing their best to overcome these challenges. We appreciate your support and feedback, as we are all in this together.



Do you have an item you'd like us to share? Send us an email ecclps.miranda@gmail.com with “Save the Date” in the subject line. (Must be received by the last week of the month, for the following month's newsletter.)

Be sure to listen to **KPMX 105.7** the **second Wednesday** of each month at **9:00 AM** to get the latest news about what's happening at **ECCLPS!**



If you, or a family you know is in need of diapers, wipes, children's shoes, coats, etc. Please contact:

NicoleH@CentennialMHC.org



February is National Children's Dental Health Month

Click [Here](#) for free resources.



Any Time is a Great Time to Give Where You Live

ECCLPS

Accepts and appreciates donations throughout the year!

If you would like to donate, go to:

[ECCLPS Colorado Gives](#)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 - 5:00

ECCLPS Partner Meetings

4th Monday of the Month (September - May)

11:50 AM - 12:50 PM

ECCLPS Professional Development Trainings

4th Monday of the Month (September - May)

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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