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New Office Hours!

Monday 
12:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Tuesday 
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Wednesday 
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Thursday 
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Friday 
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Main Phone Hours
Monday – Thursday 
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM and
Friday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Child Care Quality System (CCQS) for Family Child Care Programs

Applications for the CCQS Family Child Care Temporary Framework are now available!

Please refer to the Temporary Changes to CCQS - FAQ for Family Child Care Programs.

Want even more details? Check out the CCQS Program Guide.

If you have any questions, please contact:
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September 17 & 18

To register: eastern.usu.edu/childcare/conference/

Funding provided by the Department of Workforce Services, Office of Child Care through the Child Care and Development Block Grant
1. **New Office Hours!**
   Our office will be open for walk-ins during the following times:
   - **Monday**: 12:00 AM - 5:00 PM
   - **Tuesday - Thursday**: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
   - **Friday**: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

   Our main phone line will be answered during the following times:
   - **Monday - Thursday**: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
   - **Friday**: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

   Please contact staff directly to schedule one-on-one appointments.

2. **Fingerprinting Support Grant**
   This grant is available to Licensed Child Care Centers AND Licensed Family Child Care Programs.

   It reimburses the cost of Live Scan or fingerprint cards required by Child Care Licensing (CCL) after initial licensure. It does NOT include other background screening costs, such as the fees charged by CCL.

   To apply, please see the Fingerprinting Support Grant Application.

3. **Resource Night**
   Thank you to everyone who took our survey! Based on the results, we have decided to only have a guest speaker once a quarter.

   Additionally, we will keep our Resource Room open late once a month. Our Resource Room will be open until 8:30 PM on the 3rd week of every month, alternating between Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

   **Our next Resource Night will be Tuesday, October 19th, 2021 until 8:30 PM**

4. **Die Cuts, Lamination & Bulletin Board Paper**
   Die cuts, lamination, and bulletin board paper are all available in our Resource Room during our office hours.

   **We also have a drop-off & pick-up box where you can leave items to laminate and we laminate them for you!**

   Please note that when the annual limits have been reached, no more lamination and bulletin board paper will be available for that fiscal year.

5. **Lending Library**
   This month’s lending library spotlight is our Let’s Play Music kit! This kit is from our Art and Music section and includes:

   - 1 wrist bell, 2 hand held bells & 1 jingle clog
   - 2 triangles with rods
   - 2 maracas
   - 1 wood sounder with rod
   - 4 small & 4 medium cymbals
   - Instrument concentration game
   - Music by Neill Ardley
   - Thump, Thump, Rat-a-Tata-Tat by Gene Baer and illustrated by Lois Ehlert
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