

From the desk of **Teresa Houston, ECDC Director**

Hello families!

Family is everything to us at ECDC! Get ready for a school year packed with family fun galore. We're cooking up exciting activities to make sure everyone feels like a part of our little center family. From parent days to grandparent gettogethers, we've got something for everyone.

Join us for a whirlwind of family festivities - you won't want to miss out! Please come visit your student during their scheduled time on the dates below! Nursery: 3:00-3:30, Transition 1: 3:30-4:00, Transition 2: 4:00-4:30, Preschool: 4:30-5:00.

- July 19th- Ice Cream Palooza
- September 6th- Grandparents Day
- December 6th- Winter Activities
- April 14th- Spring Festivities

We want to focus on reading and literacy this year! If you have time in your schedule to come read to the classrooms, please call the office to schedule a time.

Thank you for sharing your children with us! Be blessed, Teresa



NURSERY & TRANSITION 1

The Nursery and Transition 1 children will have fun learning about Zoo Animals.

Lessons surrounding lions, tigers, elephants, and so on will help children develop control of large muscles for movement, navigation, and balance. They will begin to understand safe and unsafe behaviors through engaging social emotional development activities.

Did you know? Children who are blind are as curious and stimulated about learning letters and words as children who are sighted. Simple alphabet books and braille blocks are as interesting, entertaining and educational to a blind child as their print counterparts are to a sighted child.



TRANSITION 2 & PRESCHOOL

Transition 2/Preschool students will examine: The Solar System.

Children will study planets, galaxies, and space travel. They will use a wide variety of words to label and describe planets and actions. Additionally, they will use information gained from reading by describing, categorizing, and comparing with model planets

Did you know? Inclusive classrooms provide opportunities for children who are blind or visually impaired, as well as typically sighted, to form essential friendships. Through these connections, engagement is maximized: friends look out for each other and are encouraged and helpful with exploring and learning.



Mark your calendar for these important events:

- July 4 & 5: Closed for Independence Day
- July 19: Ice Cream Palooza
- September 2: Closed for Labor Day

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To improve the quality of life and provide inspiration and opportunity for people who are blind or visually impaired through employment, outreach, rehabilitation, education and research.