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## Early Learning Center News

March 2017 Edition



### ELC Family Training Opportunities

Pre-K families, join us for a **Kindergarten Readiness Workshop** on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30pm at the Early Learning Center. Learn about ways to help support your child at home as they prepare to enter Kindergarten in the fall. Advance registration is required. Please

### Early Learning Center Adult Gathering Dates from the Family Advisory Council

Join us for two upcoming ELC adult gatherings brought to you by the Family Advisory Council!

- Paint Your Own Pottery with other ELC parents at Pottery Night at Pottery Playce on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm-11:00pm. Please R.S.V.P. to Jamee if you wish to attend (informational flyer attached).
- Parents Night Out at the Draft on 53 on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> (informational flyer attached).

email Jamee at [jbeaudry@ssymca.org](mailto:jbeaudry@ssymca.org) to register.

**CPR Training for Caregivers** this opportunity can be made available to

families. Please email Jamee if you are interested and a date can be set.



### Join the ELC Facebook Page

Stay up to date on what's happening at the Early Learning Center and request to join our Facebook page. Please email Senior Lead Infant/Toddler Teacher, Maureen Melone at [mmelone@ssymca.org](mailto:mmelone@ssymca.org) to request an invitation as this is a "secret" page.

### March Family Play Date in the KidZone

Have some fun with your child and other ELC families in the KidZone!

**When: Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>  
from 8:30-10:30am**



Thank you for returning your 2017-18 enrollment packets for our currently enrolled children. We will now be

reaching out to our waiting lists to fill any openings in our classrooms. We look forward to another great school year in September!

### **A Reminder About ELC Swim**

ELC swim is one of our programs that distinguishes us from other early childhood centers. It is a wonderful opportunity for children to learn about water safety and the beginnings of becoming an independent swimmer! Our teachers put a great deal of effort into these lessons weekly to ensure that they run efficiently and safely. Wondering how you can help?

Here's how:

- **Children who are swimming must be at school no later than 9:00am on their swim day.** This allows us to plan the group make-up, how many trips need to be taken to Emilson, and how many lessons will need to be taught by Emilson Aquatics Staff. **If your child is not at school by 9:00am on their swim day, they will not be able to swim on that day but will stay back with a preschool teacher engaged in activities.** In order to ensure that our lessons run smoothly and in a timely manner, we cannot make exceptions to this rule.
- **Send your child to school with their bathing suit on under their clothing.**
- **Clearly label all of your child's belongings.**
- **Place underwear, pull-ups, swim diaper, and towel in the labeled swim bag that was provided by the ELC.**

As a reminder, the following are some reasons why ELC Swim may be cancelled unexpectedly:

- The pool has been closed for planned for incidental pool maintenance.
- Inclement weather.
- Unforeseen staffing changes (unfortunately these changes can happen due to sickness/emergencies w/ minimal notice. Our child/teacher ratios are mandated at all times including the pool).
- Transitional times for children during the year such as the months of September and June.
- Holidays or School vacation week programming at the Branches that utilize the pool and other facilities such as the locker rooms.
- During the summer months the Early Learning Centers will have unstructured free time in the pool. This time is a great way for the children to practice their skills through play.

Thank you for your help in making our ELC Swim a success!



### **Taste of the South Shore**

*March 30<sup>th</sup>,  
2017*

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The Taste of the South Shore is a festive, annual, community event that brings the area's top restaurants, wineries and breweries together. Join us to sample tastings and raise funds to Send Kids to Camp. Please visit the following link <https://ssymca.org/donations/event/taste-of-the-south-shore/> for more information.