

The Partnership Press

News for the Young Children, Families and Providers of Lenoir and Greene Counties

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From the Director

Greetings, Providers!

Summer is here and while you enjoy fun activities with the children in your care, please be mindful of the heat and safety. We have safety tips for you on page 7 of this newsletter.

Pages 2 and 3 gives updates on disaster relief assistance for child care providers and our onsite training policies.

We hope you will enjoy our feature story on the launch of our new website, www.lgpfc.org! We are so excited about our new site and hope you will truly enjoy it.

In the spirit of our mission,

“Developing Today’s Children to Become Tomorrow’s Leaders”

*Keith Sylvester
Executive Director*



Our New Website Has Launched!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new website, www.lgpfc.org! We hope you all will enjoy the new design and ease of use we incorporated into this complete redesign. Here are a few special things we feel you should check out!

- Brand new trainings platform for purchasing trainings online. This software should make it easier to view and purchase your local trainings. Click “Trainings” to view all.
- We have an option for you to sign up to receive our newsletter through our website now, it is located at the bottom right!
- Pre-K applications are easily accessed on our home page and the Pre-K program pages.
- Our events calendar will list our board meetings as well as training dates and special events, such as the Annual Child Care Conference!
- Quick access to the Partnership for Children’s program activities through the home page or Programs link.
- Direct links to special programs we sponsor/host such as Safe Kids and Triple P. The side bar links will take you to their parent website.

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There are only 2,000 days between the time a baby is born and when that child begins kindergarten.

Learn more at www.first2000days.org



CCQR SPONSORED TRAINING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

**** Effective March 1, 2017****

- To attend training payment must be received in either our Snow Hill or Kinston office by the deadline date and accompanied with current contact information.
- The training registration deadline is published in the training calendar which can be found in the PFC Newsletter or on our web site: partnership4children.com. Training registration closes 48 hours prior to training date. We will not accept any registration after the deadline date. A list of registered participants will be provided to the trainer for sign-in purposes, if you are not on the list or have proof of registration you will not be allowed to stay in the training.
- Payments are accepted on a first-come/pay, first-serve basis.
- Registration(s) can be transferred from one participant to another by having the registered training participant designate a substitute.
- The Partnership is not responsible for registration forms that are lost in the mail.

FEES

- Training cost are generally \$10.00 per session unless otherwise noted. Participants must register for trainings at least 5 business days in advance of training date. There is a \$10.00 additional fee for late registrations.
- Personal checks or money orders should be made payable to Partnership for Children of Lenoir and Greene Counties; cash is also accepted.
- A fee will be charged for all returned checks and the Partnership reserves the right to no longer accept checks from that person or entity.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- A 24 hour cancellation notice is required in order to receive a training credit transferable to another training event of equal or lesser value. Please note: **No credit will be given if less than a 24 hour notice is given. ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN FOR FEES PAID.**
- There is a minimum attendance required for each training. If that number is not reached prior to the training, the Partnership reserves the right to cancel. Participants will be notified and a full credit will be issued.
- If a last minute cancellation must be made, an attempt will be made by Partnership staff to notify you as soon as possible. This is why it is important that you provide a home and cell phone number.
- Emergency situations or illness that prohibits participants from attending class will be evaluated on a case by case basis to determine if credit can be given. The participant must call the Partnership within 2 days of the unattended training with a credit request. Partnership staff may require verification of the emergency from the participant's supervisor, physician or other various sources.
- Credits are issued in the participants name not by facility and are valid for up to twelve months from the date of issue. A participant may transfer their credit to another participant by making the request in writing with a dated signature.

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

- Trainings will be closed 15 minutes after the start time.
- Participants will be provided with a training certificate. Additional copies or reissued certificates will be provided at a cost of \$5.00 per copy.
- Children will not be allowed in trainings and are not to be left unsupervised on the premises.
- Silence cell phones during trainings and limit texting/emailing during the training session.
- You must attend the entire training session in order to receive full credit.

Disaster Recovery Loans for Child Care Providers

**ATTENTION
NC CHILD CARE PROVIDERS:
Apply for Disaster Recovery Loans
At 5% Interest**

Who is eligible?

- All child care providers that had physical and/or economic damage as a result of Hurricane Matthew, Tropical Storms Julia and Hermine

What do I qualify for?

- Loans of up to \$75,000 at 5% interest (larger loans are available; interest rates may differ)

What can I use the money for?

- Repairing buildings damaged by recent hurricanes, floods, and fires
- Replacing lost equipment
- Resurfacing playground areas
- Covering losses resulting from these disasters
- Improving quality

CALL SELF-HELP NOW!

1-888-956-4412 extension 4684

To Inquire about the Child Care Disaster Recovery
Program

This disaster recovery opportunity is made possible by the NC Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Child Development and Early Education, and Self-Help, a non-profit community development financial institution.

More information on the other side

Announcements

The Partnership for Children will be closed on the following date:

- July 4, 2017

Contact Us:

Kinston

1465 Hwy. 258 N.
Kinston, NC 28504
(252) 939-1200
Fax: (252) 939-1313

Snow Hill

1108 B Kingold Blvd.
Snow Hill, NC 28580
(252) 747-3331
Fax: (252) 686-0959

www.lgpfc.org

July 2017

07/12/2017 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. *Snow Hill office	ITS-SIDS <i>Audience:</i> Infant and Toddler Providers	ITS-SIDS gives child care providers an overview of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, identifies SIDS risk factors and describes ways to reduce the risk of SIDS in child care. SIDS risk reduction messages include: engaging in safe sleep practices for infant/toddlers by placing babies on their back and creating safe sleep environments. Training covers providers and parents as partners to create safe sleep for babies in child care. Education materials and resources for parents and for providers are available.	Instructor: Stephanie Sullivan, Program Specialist Credit Hours: 1.5 Cost: \$10.00
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August 2017

08/02/2017 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. *Snow Hill office	ITS-SIDS <i>Audience:</i> Infant and Toddler Providers	ITS-SIDS gives child care providers an overview of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, identifies SIDS risk factors and describes ways to reduce the risk of SIDS in child care. SIDS risk reduction messages include: engaging in safe sleep practices for infant/toddlers by placing babies on their back and creating safe sleep environments. Training covers providers and parents as partners to create safe sleep for babies in child care. Education materials and resources for parents and for providers are available.	Instructor: Jeannine Poythress, Program Specialist Credit Hours: 1.5 Cost: \$10.00
08/03/2017 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Challenging Behaviors in Infants and Toddlers <i>Audience:</i> Infant and Toddler Providers	Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on their own beliefs and feelings regarding challenging behavior, to learn more about some of the antecedents of challenging behavior and to practice discussing challenges.	Instructor: Taylor Bowen, Program Specialist Credit Hours: 2 Cost: \$10.00

September 2017

09/06/2017 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. *Snow Hill office	ITS-SIDS <i>Audience:</i> Infant and Toddler Providers	ITS-SIDS gives child care providers an overview of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, identifies SIDS risk factors and describes ways to reduce the risk of SIDS in child care. SIDS risk reduction messages include: engaging in safe sleep practices for infant/toddlers by placing babies on their back and creating safe sleep environments. Training covers providers and parents as partners to create safe sleep for babies in child care. Education materials and resources for parents and for providers are available.	Instructor: Jeannine Poythress, Program Specialist Credit Hours: 1.5 Cost: \$10.00
09/27/2017 6:30-8:30 p.m. *Snow Hill office	Creative Activities for Preschool Children <i>Audience:</i> All Child Care Providers	Creative Activities for Preschoolers is a training that teaches about the importance of play for children. A variety of learning centers will be thoroughly introduced as well as what children learn in these centers. Activities that can be incorporated with in learning centers will be carried out through individual and small group activities. The development of the whole child will be discussed and specific activities that stimulate development will be introduced.	Instructor: Jeannine Poythress, Program Specialist Credit Hours: 2 Cost: \$10.00

Training Registration Form

Name: _____ Last 4 numbers of SSN: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ County of Employment: _____

Facility Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Fill out this form and send it back to us if you will be attending any of the trainings offered by the Partnership

Please select the training(s) you are registering for according to the age group you work with.

Select Training	Title of Training	Date of Training	Time	Cost
*Snow Hill Office	ITS-SIDS	07/12/2017	9:30 - 11:00 a.m.	\$10.00
*Snow Hill Office	ITS-SIDS	08/02/2017	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	\$10.00
	Challenging Behaviors	08/03/2017	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	\$10.00
*Snow Hill Office	ITS-SIDS	09/06/2017	9:30 - 11:00 a.m.	\$10.00
*Snow Hill Office	Creative Activities	09/27/2017	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	\$10.00

Reminders for all Trainings:

- Training registration closes 48 hours prior to the training date.
- Doors will open at least 15 minutes **prior** to each training.
- Doors will lock approximately 15 minutes **after** each training has started.
- Participants must attend the entire training session in order to receive full credit.
- Registration payments are non-refundable and a 24 hour notice is required to receive credit.
- If a training is cancelled, participants will be notified and given a credit.
- Please check training descriptions for content, times and location as they may vary.
- Children are not allowed into the training sessions and can not be left unsupervised on the premises.
- The Partnership accepts cash, checks and money orders made payable to LGPFC.
- A minimum of 5 participants are required for trainings, unless otherwise noted.

Please mail payments to:

Partnership for Children Partnership for Children
 1465 Hwy 258 N or 1108-B Kingold Blvd
 Kinston, NC 28504 Snow Hill, NC 28580

ABCD Blast:

Assuring Better Child Health and Development

Summer is here but school will be back in session soon!

Don't forget to get those well-child visits and sports physicals scheduled...Beat the August rush!



ROR Blast:

Reach Out and Read

Books Build Better Brains.

Reading Tips:

- Make reading part of every day, even for just a few minutes
- Have fun!
- Talk about the pictures. You do not have to read the book to tell a story.
- Let your child turn the pages.



Marsha Lovick, CNP at Kinston Community Health Center works with a young child and her parent to encourage early literacy skills at home. Kinston Community Health Center is a Reach Out and Read program site that distributes books to children ages six months to five years at their well-child visit. The medical practitioner provides education and oversight with literacy milestones as they are charting a child's overall growth and development. The Partnership for Children of Lenoir and Greene Counties is proud to serve as the lead agency for Reach Out and Read in Lenoir County.



FIREWORKS SAFETY

Top Tips

The best way to protect your family is to not use any fireworks at home. Instead, attend public fireworks displays and leave the lighting to the professionals.

If you plan to use fireworks, make sure they are legal in your area.

1. **Closely supervise children around fireworks at all times.**
2. **Little arms are too short to hold sparklers, which can heat up to 1,200 degrees. How about this? Let your young children use glow sticks instead. They can be just as fun but they don't burn a temperature hot enough to melt glass.**
3. **Always have a bucket of water and/or fire extinguisher nearby. Know how to operate the fire extinguisher properly.**

Keep Children Safe from Child Vehicular Heatstroke!

Every year, on average 37 children die in hot cars nationally. Please take precaution and "look before you lock." Even on cooler days, the temperature inside a car can be deadly to young children who are unable to get out by themselves, as well as older adults and pets. This is especially true during our hot summer months.

Every year on average 37 children die in hot cars
Look Before You Lock! - check the back seat for baby!
#heatstrokekills #lookbeforeyoulock

Even a loving, educated, responsible parent can unknowingly leave a child behind.
Think it can't happen to you... Think again!

LOOK BEFORE YOU LOCK
Daddy thinks I'm at daycare...
Think it can't happen to you... Think again!
#HEATSTROKEKILLS #LOOKBEFOREYOULOCK

Connect with Us!

Want to connect...here's how!

Web: www.lgpfc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Lenoir.GreenePartnership

Twitter: www.twitter.com/LG_Partnership

*For more information, email Community Outreach
Coordinator, Molly Taylor at: mtaylor@lgpfc.org

Contact Information

Lenoir County phone: (252) 939-1200,

fax:(252) 939-1313

Greene County phone: (252) 747-3331

fax:(252) 686-0959

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Office Hours (both locations):

Monday-Thursday : 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Library Hours (both locations):

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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