December 2009 Director: Jennifer Crouch

UNIVERSITY CHILD CARE CENTER

UCCC CHATTER

CALENDAR

Nov. 30 - Dec. 4 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Dec. 1 Dickerson Park Zoo Animal Encounters at UCCC at 9:00am

Dec. 4 Spring registration due Picture packages/ payments due

Dec. 8 Board meeting at UCCC at 4:00pm

Dec. 10 Gift card orders due

Dec. 17 Green Room class party

Dec. 18 Fall semester ends

Dec. 19 - Jan. 10 UCCC closed

Jan. 11 Spring semester begins

Our Pets Need Homes

Our guinea pig, Patch, and our beta fish, Yoda, need families to adopt them for the semester break. If you are interested in volunteering please see Mrs. Lesia or Ms. Jennifer. This is a great opportunity to teach your child about living things and responsibility for caring for a pet.

MEET UCCC PARENT REPRESENTATIVE
Steve Wynn

Steve Wynn currently serves as a parent representative on the UCCC Board of Directors. He is originally from O'Fallon, MO and received his degree from Missouri State University in 1988 and has been employed at the university since 1990, where he serves as the assistant manager for programming and production for Ozarks Public Television. Steve's wife, Jodi, is a math teacher at Marionville High School and they have two children, Matt is a senior at Missouri State University and Jay is currently in the Blue Room at UCCC.

Please Remember:

- Call and let us know if your child will be absent. This helps us plan for the day and keep track of illnesses in the center.
- UCCC's building and grounds are smoke-free. Smoking is not allowed in the building or on the premises (including outside grounds and the parking lots).
- Be sure your child is dressed warmly and brings a coat everyday. We do go outside for at least short periods of time most days.

Children Learn Through Play:
Writing Table

Preschool children enjoy seeing their name in print. The child begins to make an attempt at letters by using scribbles to represent words. Fine motor control of the pencil must be gained before they experience success in writing. As they become more and more familiar with letters and their meaning, they enjoy copying their name and other words. Words related to the theme are provided, as well as names of their peers. Children feel good about themselves as we give them feedback about their attempts.

ODDS 'N ENDS

- ☺ We are participating in the Best Choice Save-A-Label program. Please save the UPC label from the Best Choice products you purchase and put them in the box located by the children's mailboxes. We also participate in the Campbell's Labels-For-Education program. These labels can be deposited in the same box.
- ☺ UCCC offers a referral discount. When you refer another family to our center, a $20.00 discount will be applied to your account. The referred family must not have been previously enrolled at UCCC. They must enroll and pay for one month's tuition before the discount is applied. Thank you for telling other families about UCCC!
- ☺ Have you seen our website? Check it out at www.universitychildcarecenter.org.
- ☺ Thank you for participating in our gift card fundraising program. Our November orders earned $215.90 for UCCC and we had 3 gift cards donated directly to the center! Please let Jennifer know if you have any questions about this program or if you need additional forms.
- ☺ Are you on face book? Become a fan of the University Child Care Center page.
- ☺ UCCC requires a two week written notice before withdrawing your child from our program or two weeks' fees will be assessed.
- ☺ Please remember that parents are responsible for supplying diapers and wipes. A fee of $1.00 per diaper will be charged to your account if the center's diapers have to be used.

Missouri Pre-K Standards
Mathematics

Your Child Will
Measure using objects.

Help Your Child
In a bathtub or sink, hold up a large container, and give your child a small cup. Have her guess how many times she would have to pour water from the cup to fill the large container. Help her count how many times it takes, and see how close she came with her guess.

Things We Need at UCCC

- ✓ Children's table and chairs (Green Room)
- ✓ Play Doh (Blue Room)
- ✓ Dry erase markers (Red Room)
- ✓ Bikes and trucks (Yellow Room)
- ✓ Colored copy paper
- ✓ Kleenex
- ✓ Scrip gift card to Borders

Thank you to Goldminds for providing a class pass and a math game for prizes for our October Family Night!

Thank you to Buzbee Dental for donating childrens toothbrushes to the center!

Our November Parent's Night Out was huge success! We had 30 children in attendance and raised $294.42! We plan on having another Parents' Night Out next semester.