



Hope Grows Express

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CENTER

DIRECTOR'S CORNER



I want to thank all of the parents who came out to our 1st annual Christmas program. It was a huge success and all of the children were happy to perform for their parents. Let's make 2017 a great year for our parents to participate in the activities at the center.

Going forward in the New Year, we will be enforcing several policies. The first: we will not be accepting children after 10:00am in the morning. In order for the children to receive the full benefit of our program, they should be here by 9:00am for the beginning of Circle Time. If your child is going to be late please call and let the office know.

This is the season for many of us to get sick with colds, flu and other illnesses. If your child gets sick during the day while he/she is in care, we will contact you to come and pick them up. Maryland regulations says if we call you because your child is sick with fever, vomiting, diarrhea or pink eye, your child must remain at home for 24 hours or until the fever, vomiting and diarrhea subsides. If these symptoms appear while your child is at home please; keep them home. Maryland regulations allows us not to accept your child if they are sick.

We take the utmost precautions in keeping the center and the classrooms cleaned and sanitized to prevent the spread of germs.

Please go to our website for the following information: snow emergency policy, menus and newsletters.

REMINDER

JANUARY 18 & 2ND ----- CENTER CLOSED – NEW YEARS DAY

JANUARY 16TH ---- CENTER CLOSED – MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY.

✚ COMAR 13A.16.03.04 OF THE MARYLAND REGULATIONS FOR CHILD CARE: INCLUDE THE NAME, TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AT LEAST ONE INDIVIDUAL OTHER THAN YOURSELF WHO IS AUTHORIZE TO PICK UP THE CHILD IN AN EMERGENCY.

✚ CHILDREN'S FILES WILL BE UP-DATED DURING THE COMING MONTHS. CHANGES OF ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBERS MUST BE CURRENT. ALL HEALTH INVENTORIES AND IMMUNIZATIONS MUST BE UP TO DATE.

✚ PLEASE BE AWARE, YOU WILL INCUR A LATE FEE WHICH IS ADDED TO YOUR ACCOUNT IF YOU PICK YOUR CHILDREN UP LATE

✚ ALL ACCOUNTS ARE TO BE PAID ON MONDAYS UNLESS YOU HAVE MADE PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE OFFICE. A \$5.00 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED FOR EACH DAY TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

✚ OUR HOURS ARE 7:00AM TO 6:00PM (SHARP)

✚ ALL ACCOUNT MUST HAVE A ZERO BALANCE GOING INTO THE NEW YEAR

BIRTHDAY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR CHILDREN, PARENTS AND STAFF WHO ARE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY

