



CECA Newsletter

Spring 2009

From the Desk of CECA President,
Janet Clark, (816) 229-9889 x 14

"Kids Matter" - Summer Conference 2009
We would love to have your volunteer assistance during the week of August 3 - 6. On Monday we will be setting up and stuffing registration packets (1100 + last year). On Wednesday and Thursday we will need volunteers in many areas! Plan to help. It's a fun and rewarding experience!

IMPORTANT DATES

- Director's Roundtables -
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Tues., March 31, 2009
- Sue Murray Grant Applications -
Due April 15, 2009
- Conference Set-Up Day - August 3
*Volunteers Needed from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Director's Day - Tuesday, August 4
- Summer Conference -
Wed./Thurs. August 5 - 6, 2009

Director's Roundtable
March 31, 2009
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Knowledgeable speakers will help us better understand the Quality Rating System (QRS), a method being used by states to assess the quality of early childhood and school-age/after-school programs. They will also inform us about important services available to our centers and staff.

This roundtable will be held in two locations to be more state specific!

Centers located in **Kansas** will meet at Little Hearts Preschool, Heartland Christian Fellowship, 12011 W. 127th Street, Overland Park, KS 66213
Kansas directors RSVP by March 27 to Melody Goodwin, Little Hearts Preschool Director, at 913-322-0193.

Centers located in **Missouri** will meet at Rainbow School, South-Broadland Presbyterian, 7850 Holmes, Kansas City, MO 64131
Missouri directors RSVP by March 27 to Deena Smith, Rainbow School Director, at 816-523-4336.

Help us reach your teachers about the summer conference by emailing any new names of staff or address changes to Peggee Schwartz at misspeggee@comcast.net

There are only a few more weeks to apply for the 2009 Sue Murray Grant!!

April 15 is the deadline.

You could receive up to \$500 to help with the cost of professional development conferences, college courses, accreditation requirements, etc. Full and partial grants may be awarded. Guidelines and the "ever-so-uncomplicated" application is available online at www.cecakc.org. Questions should be directed to Jolene Hill at Little Blessings Day Care, 816 356-4454.

◀◀◀ Notice the unusual circumstance!! The
◀◀ Director's Roundtable for March will be
◀ held in two locations. See details to the left!

2008 - 2009 CECA Directories and membership certificates have been mailed!

But there is still time to join CECA and receive the benefits of attending our final roundtable, Director's Day, and discounts on the summer conference! March 31 is the deadline for membership dues! Please pass the word on to any centers directors who need to know about us. The Membership Fee is \$25 and applications are available on our website at www.cecakc.org Thanks!

2008-2009 CECA Board

- President - Janet Clark (816)229-9889 x 14
- Vice-President - Pam Peterson (913)544-0727
- Secretary - Mary Lammers (816)524-4354
- Treasurer - Cindy Miller (816)761-5441
- Historian - Bonnie Traynor (913)685-1161 x130
- Hospitality - Jolene Hill (816)356-4454

Conference Coordinators:

- Maggie Holley (816)942-1297
- Peggee Schwartz (816)373-4904
- Deena Smith (816)523-4336

Contact at www.cecakc.org
923 NE Woods Chapel Rd, #179
Lee's Summit, MO 64064

Welcome to these centers new to CECA!

- Blue Ridge Christian School - KCMO
- Children's Day Out - Topeka, KS
- Faith United Methodist MDO - Grain Valley, MO
- Grace Garden Preschool - Overland Park, KS
- Heritage Preschool - Harrisonville, MO
- Holmeswood Early Education Center - KCMO
- Holy Spirit Preschool - Overland Park, KS
- King of Kings Lutheran Preschool - KCMO
- North Heartland Early Childhood Center - KCMO
- WildWoods Preschool/PDO - Overland Park, KS

May the work we do make the world we live in a little more worthy of our children! Words from Tom Hunter's song "Worthy of our Children"