



# UCCC CHATTER

## HELP UCCC FIGHT THE FLU

### CALENDAR

Oct. 6 Dickerson Park Zoo Animal Encounters at UCCC at 9:00am

Oct. 8 Gift card orders due

Oct. 13 Board meeting at UCCC at 4:00pm

**Oct. 15 & 16 UCCC closed**

Oct. 20 Springfield-Greene County Health Department hand washing program in Blue Room at 9:30 and in Green Room at 10:00

Oct. 21 Family Night at UCCC 6:00 - 7:30pm

Oct. 28 Springfield-Greene County Library Stories to Go in Green Room at 11:00am

Nov. 20 Parents Night Out

We know this season is going to present some special challenges for parents who are busy studying and working. Our goal is to limit the impact of the flu season on you and your child by implementing these procedures to make everyone behave healthily and responsibly while at UCCC, as well as in their decisions about bringing their child to the Center. We are asking all UCCC families to do the following to help keep everyone healthy:

- Keep your children and yourselves at home when they are ill. No one will be allowed to return to the center until they have had no fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicine. If you are sick, but your child is well, do not enter our center to drop off or pick-up your child.
- If your child becomes ill while they are at the center and you are called to pick them up, you must be at the center within 30 minutes. Be sure your contact information is up-to-date.
- Make alternative arrangements for care for you child if they are sick or if they become sick while at school and you are not able to pick them up immediately. Have a back-up person who can drop-off/pick-up your child if you are ill.
- **EVERYONE** must wash or sanitize their hands before entering UCCC classrooms. Take your child to the bathroom when you arrive at the center (before going to their classroom) to wash their hands. Wash your hands as well. Parents must wash or sanitize their hands before entering the classroom when you are picking up your child. We recommend that children wash their hands before going home, too. Hand sanitizer is available at the time clock.
- Get your child and everyone else who lives in your home vaccinated for seasonal flu and 2009 H1N1 flu.

Thank you for your help in keeping all of our children healthy this flu season!

### ***FAMILY NIGHT AT UCCC!!***

***Wednesday, October 21***

***6:00 to 7:30pm***

*(come and go)*

- ☺ *Enjoy participating in activities with your child.*
- ☺ *Learn what you can do at home to enhance your child's math skills.*
- ☺ *All families attending will have the opportunity to win a \$25 Barnes & Noble gift card!*
- ☺ *Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be provided.*

## 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](http://www.universitychildcarecenter.org).
- ☎ Thank you for participating in our gift card fundraising program. Our September orders earned \$65.05 for UCCC! Please let Jennifer know if you have any questions about this program or if you need additional forms. We will be building our storage unit for the playground soon!
- ☎ 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.
- ☎ We are currently needing a parent volunteer to wash the Yellow Room nap laundry each weekend. Please let Ms. Jennifer know if you are interested.

## Missouri Pre-K Standards Literacy

### Your Child Will

Participate in word games.

### Help Your Child

Play a "clapping" game with your child's name and names of her friends. Explain how some names are short and need one clap (Bob) and some names are long and need a few claps (Jen-ni-fer).

## Things We Need at UCCC

- ☞ PVC pipe (Green Room)
- ☞ \$10.00 gift card to Dollar Tree (Blue Room)
- ☞ Small photo album (Red Room)
- ☞ Wooden toys (Yellow Room)
- ☞ Postage stamps
- ☞ Tall plant stand
- ☞ Scrip gift card to Barnes & Noble

*Congratulations Mrs. Kristy!!  
UCCC October Employee of the Month  
Be sure to let Mrs. Kitsty know how  
much you appreciate all she does to  
make UCCC a great place for children.*

### UCCC Parents' Night Out!

- ★ Friday, November 20
- ★ 6:00pm to 10:00pm (Dinner is provided.)
- ★ Current UCCC children and their siblings ages 2 to 12 are eligible to attend.
- ★ \$20.00 for your first child and \$10.00 for each additional child.
- ★ Enjoy a night out without the kiddos!