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First Rock Baptist Church

Child Development Center Newsletter

From the Desk of Patricia Bodrick, Director

Fall 2020



Dear FRBC CDC Family and Friends:

FRBC Child Development Center officially reopened our doors to children on Monday, September 5. After months of planning, virtual meetings, role playing, cleaning, purchasing PPEs as well as envisioning a new normal, our doors reopened. With that, we are thankful to God!

Everyone is aware that the Covid-19 pandemic has left many lives devastated, businesses small and large closing their doors due to the lock down which began in March 2020. Sadly, several child development centers had to close their doors permanently as well. Leaving families without child care services, which would allow parents to return back to work.

To our current returning families, who participated in our virtual meetings, responded to text messages as well as supplying the necessary documentation, thank you. Thank you for your continued trust in our service along with our health and safety plan, which we outlined to you during the virtual meetings and correspondences.

We look forward to your feedback on the information supplied in this issue.

*Best,
Patricia Bodrick, Director*

NEW COVID-19 HOURS
8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
Breakfast ends: 9:00 a.m.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT YOUR CHILD CARE PROVIDER DURING COVID-19

To help support the safety of children and employees in child care facilities, and to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 (coronavirus), the District of Columbia has issued new guidance for child care providers operating during this time. These are some of the changes you can expect to see at your child's facility.



To learn more about how child care providers are keeping District children and families safe, visit coronavirus.dc.gov or talk to your child care provider.

CHILD CARE SAFETY DURING COVID-19

Families can follow these guidelines to help keep children, families and employees in child care facilities safe while helping to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19:



REMEMBER TO:

- Monitor your child for any symptoms of illness and talk to a health care provider if symptoms appear.
- Keep your child at home if they are ill, if they are awaiting COVID-19 test results, or if they or any close contact are confirmed to have COVID-19.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Keep your child home if they have a fever or if they have symptoms of illness that have not been previously evaluated by a health care provider.
- For families with children age 2 and older, practice using a face covering with your child to determine if they are able to wear and remove it safely.*
- Plan to drop-off and pick-up your child outside of the child care facility. A parent/guardian must wear a mask during drop-off and pick-up.
- Teach and model good hygiene practices, including covering coughs and sneezes with an elbow or tissue and washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If your child has a health condition that places them at high risk for experiencing severe illness from COVID-19, consult with your child's health care provider before sending them to child care.
- Be ready to talk with your child and answer questions about COVID-19. For example:
 - "Why are my teachers wearing masks?"
 - "Why do I have to wear a mask?" or
 - "Why can't I be near my friends or teacher?"
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has a recommendations on talking to children about COVID-19 available at bit.ly/CDCtgc

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* Do not use a face covering for your child if: your child is less than the age of 2, your child's health care provider has said they should not wear a mask, your child cannot remove the mask without assistance, or your child has any health condition that prevents them from breathing safely with a mask.



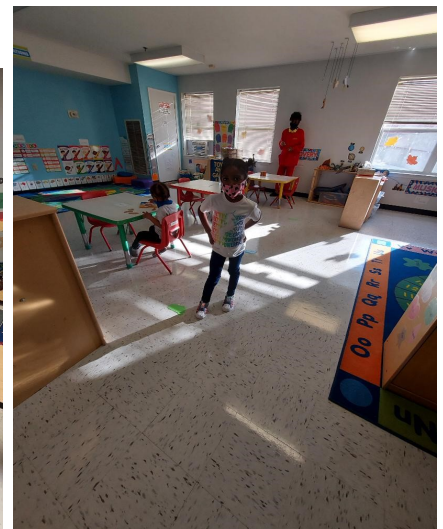
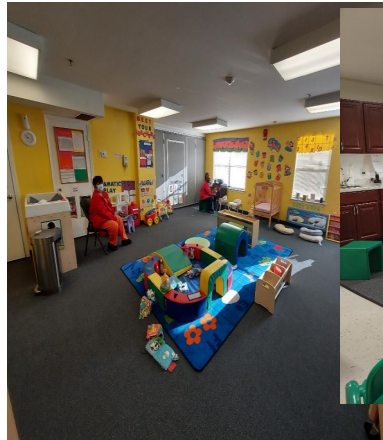
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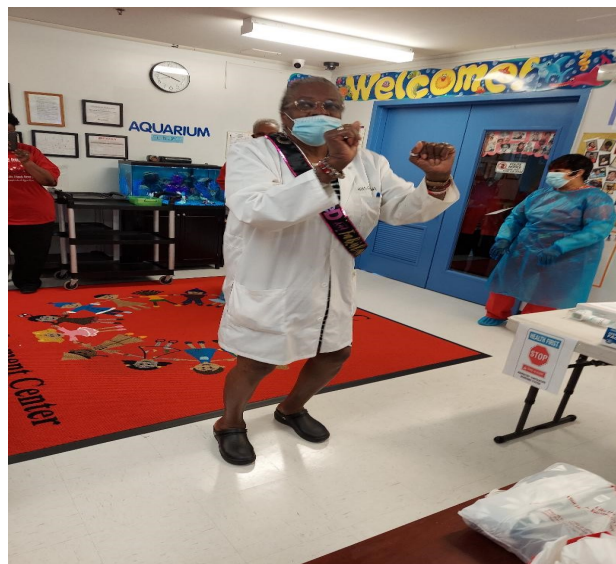
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STAFF NEWS

The Center wished Nurse Louise Lanier-Finn a fond farewell at her retirement send off on Thursday, October 22. She will truly be missed. Fun was had by all.



IT'S A ANOTHER GIRL!
Randi Stewart's Baby Shower



Important Dates

Mark Your
Calendars

November 11 Veteran's Day **Center CLOSED**
 November 26-27 Thanksgiving Holiday **Center Closed**
 December 24 Christmas Eve **Early Dismissal**
 December 25 Christmas **Center Closed**
 December 31 New Years Eve **Early Dismissal**
 January 1 New Years Day **Center Closed**
 January 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day **Center Closed**

Child Development Center

TLC (Tender Loving Care) A & B 6 wks-13 months

Hillary Kirrelius
Yvonne Livingston
Freida Wright
Articia Bittle
Linda Hughes
Linda Robinson

LITTLE ANGELES

Kiara Jones
Monica Washington
Griselda Santos-Zorilla

CARE BEARS

Terita Butler
Serlena Cooper
Mia Pugh

HONEYBEES

Sharon Smith
Deborah Womack

SMURFS

Doris Bennett
Ernestine Thompson
Theressa Walker (Sub)

Get Along Gang

Alexis Johnson
Cherise Patrick
Carlesa Cupe (Rotates)

G. Freda Fersner-Holland, Accountant
Michelle A. Jones, Manager

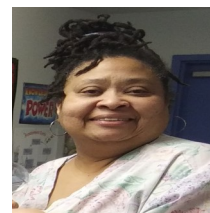
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(Cleaning Services)

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Congratulations in order to Monica Washington, Little Angles teacher, who got engaged in October. He put a ring on it...



WELCOME NEW FACES TO FRBC CDC FAMILY!



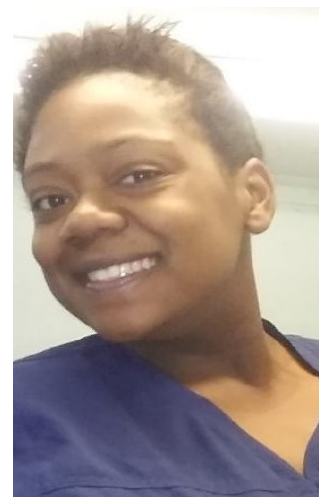
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Hillary Killerius



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