

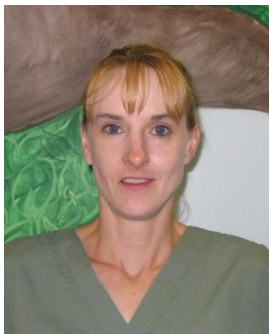


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A WHOLE-CHILD APPROACH



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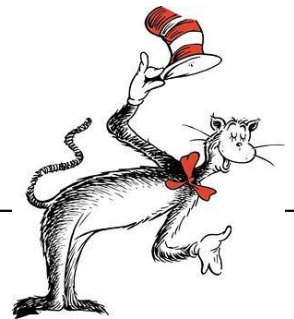
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Teacher Appreciation Week

Hats off to our Teachers

May 9 - 13



Monday, May 9

- Special note from your child
- Staff goodie bags

Check your child's folder this week for a special coloring sheet. Help your child color/fill it out this week and return it by Monday to the front desk.

If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact a PAC member – there are approximately 70 teachers/staff.

Tuesday, May 10

- Hop on Popcorn buffet

Wednesday, May 11

- Who Feast (pot luck lunch for the teachers)

Please sign up at the front desk to contribute a dish, dessert, or money towards food purchases

Thursday, May 12

- Crazy hat day

Send your children to school in their craziest hat. Teachers/staff will be competing to see who has the craziest hat!

Friday, May 13

- Special gift for teachers/staff
- Dr. Seuss or HWCEC shirt day

If your child has a Dr. Seuss or HWCEC shirt, have them wear it Friday! Teachers/staff will be competing in games throughout the day. If you have any gift cards you would like to donate for prizes, please drop them off at the front desk.

Thank you!

Note from the PAC

As always, thank you for remembering the teachers and staff who look out for your children. They deserve and greatly appreciate our thanks every day, but now is the time to send them something special (gift cards, movie tickets, or even a thank you note will make their day)!

Becky Schoewe, PAC President

PAC Meeting

(Parent Advisory Committee)

Wednesday, May 11
11:30 – 12:30 p.m.
Sam's Club Cafe

Simple Savings Drive/Moberly Lane

Spring Cleaning?

It's the season to go through closets and cabinets and get rid of things you no longer use! Do you have an abundance of bags in your house? You're in luck! HWCEC can take those off of your hands for you. We are looking for fabric recyclable bags, large gift bags, or bags large enough to fit a package of diapers.

There are times in which families struggle. Thanks to United Way of NWA, HWCEC offers assistance to families by providing products such as diapers, personal hygiene products, paper products and more.

It's time to move away from plastic sacks and trash bags and present the items in a pleasant way – like gift or recyclable bags.

Drop bags off at the front or back entrance. Thank you!

Mother's Day Breakfast

Friday, May 6
8 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Enjoy donuts and fresh strawberries with your child. Your child has made a special gift for you as well!

Memorial Day

HWCEC will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

We want to thank the families of service men and women who have fallen to protect our great nation!

If you are the parent of an HWCEC student and actively serving our country in the armed forces or reserves, please contact Chris at cwillbanks@hwccenter.com. We will provide you a credit for Memorial Day as a small token of our appreciation!

Safety First!

Many parents walk through the playgrounds to drop off or pick up their child. Please make sure gates are closed behind you. We want to make sure our friends playing outdoors remain safely in their playground.

Children become very comfortable at HWCEC; sometimes so much so that they want to visit a neighboring playground. Hence the reason we have an extra latch between the toddler and preschool playgrounds. Please secure the latch each time you walk through. Thank you!

Employee of the Month

Maggie Blowers,
Preschool Lead Teacher

Ms. Maggie continues to show her dedication to the education of young children. Over the past month she has organized two learning opportunities for our children, Deb's Project and Community Helpers – police and K-9 unit.

"The Koala Bear class really enjoyed choosing which police vehicle to visit during AR Children's Week. We got to spend more time asking questions about the dog and what the officer had in his car. It was an enjoyable experience not having to rush through," states Ms. Laura.

Ms. Maggie consistently thinks of all the students, not just those in her class! She has been a cherished team member for 18 years. She holds a Child Development Associate and has completed nearly 1,000 hours of training. Way to go!

Pre-K Graduation

Friday, May 27
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Please bring your lawn chairs!

A family luncheon will follow the ceremony on the preschool playground.

