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**CHILDREN'S ENRICHMENT
CENTER**

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Employee of the Month



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A WHOLE-CHILD APPROACH



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Extra-Curricular Scholarships

Fall is fast approaching and soon the new school year will begin – and so will extra-curricular activities.

Preschool children have the choice to enroll in fee-based programs such as:

- TumbleBus (gymnastics)
- Jitterbugs (dance)
- Happy Feet (soccer)
- Spanish
- Reach for Literacy (1 on 1 reading)

We want to ensure every child has the ability to participate in an extra-curricular program. Therefore, **HWCEC offers Extra-Curricular Scholarships**. Scholarships are allocated in the following manner:

- Families on DHS Vouchers can choose one activity and will receive a **100% paid scholarship** (which means you pay nothing)
- Families on the tuition scholarship program can choose one activity and will receive a **50% paid scholarship**
- Scholarships for **all other families will be based on income level or hardship circumstances**

If you are interested in an Extra-Curricular Scholarship, please pick up an application

at the front desk. The application is one page and is a simple process.

Extra-Curricular Scholarships and Tuition Scholarships are funded in full by private donors and grants. This means that weekly tuition does not fund scholarships in any manner.

Evacuation Site

If an emergency occurs that requires HWCEC to evacuate, parents need valuable information.

If it is an isolated incident (i.e. gas leak), children will be escorted to the Melvin Aquatic Center's parking lot. If the emergency impacts the community (i.e. tornado) and requires HWCEC to provide extended care until parents can reach us, our secondary location is:

The First Presbyterian Church
901 NE J Street
Bentonville, AR 72712
479-273-5450

Located on NE J Street between Central Avenue & Tiger Boulevard.

Ice Cream Social

Saturday, August 15
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Meet your teachers, see your child's classroom, and gain important class information. Extra-Curricular program representatives will be present to discuss activities, benefits and registration.

PAC Meeting

(Parent Advisory Committee)
Wednesday, July 8
Noon
Feel free to bring your lunch!

School Start Date

HWCEC will begin its new school year on Monday, August 17.

The last day for graduating Pre-K students will be Friday, August 14. Unfortunately, for those in the Bentonville School District, we will not be able to provide services on Monday.

Special Thanks

We would like to say a special thank you to Angela Campbell. Many of you may remember Ms. Lou. She was a very special teacher in preschool. Angela, Ms. Lou's granddaughter, recently donated several of Ms. Lou's classroom materials such as books, games and homemade stories. It's a blessing to have Ms. Lou live on in our program by utilizing her materials.

God bless you Angela.

Scholarship Update

Our philosophy at HWCEC is that EVERY child should have equal access to high quality early childhood experiences.

Consider making a donation today at:

hwcec.org

click the "donate" button at the bottom of the homepage

GOAL:



**Grilled Meals
to go
June 29
3 – 6 p.m.
\$5/meal
Front Parking Lot**

100% of
proceeds benefit
scholarships

FALL PACKETS New School Year

Due Date: June 26

Fall packets have been distributed. The packet will contain paperwork that must be updated for the new school year. Several forms will be included in the packet for you to review, complete, and return. This year you will not need to scan your driver's license if you have scanned in the past. We are able to run everyone through the database as an update.

Information about your child's new classroom, teachers, and a map outlining location will be distributed on August 3.

The new school year and official classroom move will begin Monday, August 17. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy at 273-3552.

Fourth of July

HWCEC will be closed on Friday, July 3 in observance of the Fourth of July.



Fourth of July Parade on June 25

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"Ms. Alicia cared deeply for my boy and I am extremely thankful. She makes great recommendations on the best way to help our son achieve milestones (starting on solids, moving from formula to milk), which has made this past 5 months easier for us," states a happy mom.

"My son recently started separation anxiety and it has been making the morning drop off challenging. This morning I dropped him off and instead of crying he crawled right into Ms. Alicia's lap, which made my morning!" sigh of relieve from a mom.

Alicia has been a part of the team for nearly 18 years. She holds a Child Development Associate.

