



HELEN R. WALTON
**CHILDREN'S ENRICHMENT
CENTER**

News & Notes



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GOLD Award
Giver Of Loving
Direction

will be announced on
January 9
(after our announcement
at the team meeting)

**A WHOLE-CHILD
APPROACH**



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Christmas Assistance

Thanks to parents, friends, and local businesses, **28** children from HWCEC and their siblings had a wonderful Christmas holiday.

Toys, clothes, and warm coats were just a few of the special items that supported our young friends.

The families were extremely appreciative for the love and support during the holiday season!

Evacuation Site

In case of an emergency our evacuation site is First Presbyterian Church on J Street.

When a community crisis strikes, we tend to forget details. Please place our evacuation site location in your phone.



HWCEC is Closed: January 1

Time to Update Your Contact Information

If you have recently changed any of the following, please stop by the front desk:

- Phone number
- Work phone number
- Email address
- Home address

Tuition Increase

As a reminder, the new tuition increase will go into effect on Friday, February 2. Rates will be the following:

Infant:	\$230 full-time
Toddler:	\$220 full-time \$110 T-TH \$165 M-W-F
Preschool:	\$210 full-time \$105 T-TH \$157.50 M-W-F

Tuition will automatically update for those on ACH (auto-draft).



Christopher's Lending Library

Christopher's Lending Library is an opportunity to expand reading experiences without the cost. A child may borrow a book and return it when done.

The Lending Library will open on Tuesday, January 23! It will be located in the Parent Resource Center across from the front desk.

Christopher Schoewe, a past student, demonstrated his civic spirit with his passion for reading. He began the library by donating his books he had outgrown so that others may enjoy.

If you have gently used books at home that aren't being read, donate them to Christopher's Lending Library!

CHILDREN CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OTHERS! Thank you Christopher!

Donations

In preparation of the new site move, we will be limiting gently used items to the following:

Books, puzzles, child sized underwear and pants

PAC Meeting

(Parent Advisory Committee)
Wednesday, January 10
11:30 – 12:30 p.m.
HWCEC Training Rooms

Tax Season

The Center tax information will be available on January 5 at the front desk. This information will include:

- 2017 tuition charge & credit summary
- 2017 AR-1000 CR tax form

The state offers a 20% tax credit for using a quality approved child care facility. This credit may be used in lieu of any other dependent care credit you may be entitled to.

Federal Tax ID: 71-0559432

Quality Accreditation #: 1622

Class Pictures

January 17 (tentative) * \$10 per sheet

All children must be present by 8:30 a.m. to participate in pictures.

More information on January 2!

It's Cold Out There!

Let's remember coats, hats, and gloves! Even when it's cold our friends like to go on walks or short visits to the playground. Fresh air is great, however, we want to make sure everyone is bundled up and warm while outside!

Dept. of Human Services State Licensing Review

All early childhood programs (child care) are monitored 3 times a year by DHS to ensure compliance with all Minimum Licensing Requirements.

The written reviews (form 521) are available for parent review. Feel free to contact any manager for copies (we can email for convenience).

Inclement Weather

Every effort will be made to open the Center during inclement weather. Below will be our action steps **if the Bentonville Schools are closed:**

- Automatic delayed opening of 8:00 a.m.
- Decision to delay opening to later hour or full day closing will be made and communicated to parents by 6:30 a.m.
- Communications of inclement weather hours:
 - Major media
 - Text
 - Email
 - Center voicemail

On delayed opening days no breakfast will be served. All other meals and center based activities will occur. Extracurricular activities are subject to provider's decision.

It is important parents update phone numbers, cell carrier, and email as information changes.

Free Tax Services

Based on your income during 2017, you may qualify for free tax services. Call 2-1-1 or 479-246-0104 for free tax service locations or file online at <http://myfreetaxes.com>.

