

# Central Early Learning Center

February 2025

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## February Happenings



### Valentine's Poem:

#### Bears Love Honey

Bears love honey  
Flowers love dew  
Bankers love money  
And I love you!

~ Anonymous

### Valentine's Song:

#### A Red Heart

(Tune: "You Are My Sunshine")

You are my Valentine  
My only Valentine  
You make me happy  
In every way  
You'll never know, Dear  
How much I love you  
Please don't take  
My Valentine away.



Grits with Grandparents - Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, our THREE year olds invite their grandparents to have grits with them from 8:00 to 8:30 AM – Ms Tyesha's class and from 8:45 to 9:15 – Mrs Precious' class. The next day, Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, grandparents are invited to join our FOUR year olds, also, from 9:00 to 9:30 AM. Please RSVP in the front office so we can prepare enough food.

**In-House Preschool, PreK-4, and Summer Camp Registration** will begin Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. We will open registration to the public on Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. We would like to give our CELC families the first opportunity!

**Valentine Parties** will be held on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. These parties will be "low-key" and will be held at the end of the day. Your child's teacher will send home information.

**CELC will be CLOSED** for Mardi Gras on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. We will re-open at 6:00 AM on Wednesday morning. Happy Mardi Gras!

**2024 Tax Statements** - Please sign up on the clipboard provided at the front desk.

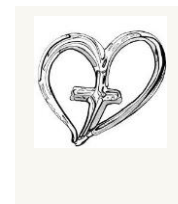


### VERY IMPORTANT!

If you are called to come and pick up your child, for an illness or any other reason, you must pick that child up within one hour.

### 1 John 4:12 (NKJV)

*If we love one another  
God abides in us,  
and His love has  
been perfected in us.*



## Reminder!

Keeping you informed is important to us, and we use many different methods. We have a school calendar (extra copies available), monthly newsletters, messaging on ProCare, Facebook, Instagram, and our website. We are also able to send out a bulk text or email if there is a center-wide emergency. Always make sure that we have your most current email address and phone numbers. If there are any changes to your phone numbers, please make sure to inform us. Also, if you have any questions about certain dates, or any other info is needed, please stop by the front office.



## Parents...

Our hours of operation are Monday – Friday, 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. When dropping children off in the mornings, we ask that you make sure that you sign in your child properly. Also, children must be clocked into the center before the 9:00 AM cut off time, unless, of course, a doctor's excuse is presented, in which case, you **MUST** inform the office beforehand that your child will be checking in late.

Pick up time should be no later than 6:00 PM. We have a number of children who are being picked up after 6:00. There is a \$10. charge for the first five minutes and a \$3. per minute charge thereafter (per child). **Excessive late pickups may result in your child being withdrawn from the center.**



***You and your child are important to us.***

Should you wish to share something good a teacher has done, or if you ever have a concern, please:

Call: **Gina Carter-Merckel**

Telephone: **225-261-1743**



## Season's Celebrations

- **Valentine's Day:**  
Friday, February 14, 2024
- **Grits with Grandparents:**  
Wednesday &  
Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> & February 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Mardi Gras :** Monday & Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> & March 4<sup>th</sup>

## February Recipe:

### Valentine Oreos

#### Ingredients:

- Oreos
- Wilton Bright Pink Candy Melts
- Red, Pink & White Valentine Sprinkles

#### Instructions:

1. Melt the candy melts as directed on the package in a microwave safe bowl.
2. Dip the Oreo halfway into the melted candy.
3. Place the Oreo onto the parchment paper.
4. Scatter sprinkles over the melted candy.
5. Allow the cookies to harden completely before serving.