Enjoying a meal together strengthens bonds, creates a routine that helps children feel more secure, promotes teachable moments, develops motor skills and supports social-emotional development. Isn’t it nice to slow down and allow everyone to have a relaxed conversation about their day?

**Family-style meals in child care have so many benefits.**
- They help children to develop motor skills through actions such as scooping and pouring.
- They also help children to develop social skills through passing food to their neighbor and taking turns.
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**How Do Family-Style Meals Work?**
Many times child care professionals hear about children serving themselves at mealtime and they think “Oh what a mess that would be.” Much of the time child care professionals will say that it is just so much easier to put food on a plate for the children and set it in front of them on the table.

Think of it this way, Johnny is a 3-year-old boy. He sits down at the table for mealtime only to find that his child care provider has served him a heaping pile of lima beans. Johnny hates the taste of lima beans and feels overwhelmed by the number of lima beans on his plate. Therefore, Johnny cannot focus on the other items that he does enjoy.

Most child care professionals would agree that they would rather have the option on how much food they take at the table. This is often the case for children too. Allowing children the independence to decide how much of each food to take often encourages them to try more new foods. If they know that they can only take a small amount to try, they are less likely to feel overwhelmed by having a new food on their plate.

It will be so messy though, right? Yes, family-style meals can be messy, but learning is messy sometimes! Spills happen and teaching children how to clean up a spill helps them to develop a valuable life skill. We’ve all heard the phrase “Don’t cry over spilled milk.” Messes can be cleaned up and children will learn from them. One suggestion is to start by having children serve themselves an “easier” food such as a piece of garlic bread. You can work your way up to serving things like applesauce and pasta. Each step toward independence is valuable to children in your care.

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**Best Practices for Meal Time**

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**Safety Precautions**
Of course, we want to make sure that we are following proper food safety procedures. Always make sure to keep the food at the proper temperature. Use clean utensils and serving dishes. Also, make sure that all adults and children are washing their hands before and after mealtime.

**How to Implement Family-Style Meals**
Here are some key steps for successfully implementing family-style meals within your child care program or home.

- Food should be prepared and placed in serving bowls or on plates on the table. Consider bigger bowls with higher sides for younger children.
- Be sure to include enough food to allow for the minimum portion size for each child, enough for each child to have seconds and enough for adults to partake in the meal with the children.
- If a child chooses not to take their full portion size, encourage them to take more throughout the meal.
- Some children may need more help serving themselves than others. It may be helpful to seat those children near an adult.
- Avoid using negative or pressuring statements.
- Be sure to allow adequate time for the children to eat so they do not feel rushed.
- Make sure that children know they can always have seconds if they would like more of a food they have served themselves.

**We are Here to Help**
If you are considering implementing family-style meals in your childcare program but you are uncertain where to start, please reach out to us at Baltimore City Child Care Resource Center. Our team of Child Care Technical Assistance Consultants would love to help you! You can contact us at 410-685-5150 ext. 258 or 272.

Start planning how to serve family-style meals in your program today!

**Great News from Baltimore City Community College and BCCCRC**

Baltimore City Community College is now participating in MSDE’s Child Care Career and Professional Development Fund. If you are working in child care and are participating in the Maryland Child Care Credential at a Level 2 or higher you are qualified to apply for funding to attend college. If interested contact Professor Godwin at: DGodwin@bccc.edu for additional information and an application.

BCCCRC is continuing to partner with Baltimore City Community College on a project to assist family child care providers to receive the 90-hour Preschool Certificate and complete the requirements to be awarded the Child Development Associate (CDA) certificate from the Council for Professional Recognition. If you are interested in obtaining additional information regarding the CDA Project contact Jennifer Lentz at: jlentz@bcccrc.org.

**Important Telephone Numbers and Contacts**

**Baltimore City Child Care Resource Center**
Main Number……………………………………410-685-5150
LOCATE: Child Care (toll free)……….………1-877-261-0060
FAX………………………………………………..410-685-2100

**Other Agencies**
Office of Child Care – Region II……………..410-554-8300
MD State Department of Education………...410-767-0100
Office of Child Care: Credential Branch……1-866-243-8796
MSDE Early Childhood Education Help Desk…1-877-605-1539
CCS Provider Helpline (toll free)……………1-866-243-8796
Protective Services………………………………410-361-2235
Medical Assistance/WIC………………………..410-396-9427
Child Care Food Program………………………410-767-0214
Maryland Family Network……………………..410-659-7701
Maryland State Child Care Association (MSCCA)
Christina Peusch, Executive Director………. 410-820-9196
MSCCA, Baltimore City Chapter
Jennifer Dorsey, President……………….. 443-835-0738
Baltimore Child Care Coalition
Email:..........................baltimorechildcarecoalition@gmail.com
Family Child Care Provider’s Association, Inc.,
of Baltimore City
Florice Freeman, President………………..410-233-2939
Bernice Diggs, Director to MSFCCA……… 410-325-1227

**Need Help?**
Are you ready to move up a check level in Maryland EXCELS and have questions? Need assistance with accreditation or credentialing? Would like guidance on professional development? Room arrangements getting you down? Have concerns about behavioral or developmental issues? BCCCRC technical assistance staff members are here ready to assist you whatever your needs may be! Just call 410-685-5150, extension 258 or 272 to request assistance.
Announcing the 45 Hour Infant Toddler Pre-service Course

BCCRC is delighted to announce that we will offer the 45-hour Infant Toddler Course beginning on March 5. The class will be held at Friends School, 5114 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21210. There is plenty of free parking on the campus and the number 51 MTA bus stop is just a few steps from the school.

The class will meet from 6:15pm to 9:15pm on the following dates: March 5, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26; April 4, 9, 16, 18, 23, 30 and the final three dates will be held in May. The registration fee is $200.00.

To register go to the BCCRC website, www.bcccrc.org, or complete the BCCCRC registration form and mail it to: BCCCRC, 1001 Eastern Avenue, 2nd floor, Baltimore, MD 21202.

SAVE THE DATE
An Evening for Children’s Advocacy
Monday, January 29, 2018

The annual event for early childhood educators in Annapolis will be held this year from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. on January 29, 2018. To register go to www.marylandfamilynetwork.org

Sponsored by: Maryland Family Network, the Maryland Association for the Education of Young Children, the Maryland Head Start Association, the Maryland School Age Child Care Alliance, the Maryland State Child Care Association, and the Maryland State Family Child Care Association

Good News at Tax Time

Two Hefty Credits Help Working Families

Working families can put extra cash in their pockets at tax time by claiming the Earned Income Credit (EIC). The EIC is a tax provision that allows eligible taxpayers to reduce their tax burden.

Families may qualify for the federal and state EIC, if, in 2017, they:

• were raising one child and earned less than $39,617; or less than $45,207 if married.
• were raising two children and earned less than $45,007; or $50,597, if married.
• were raising three or more children and earned less than $48,340; or $53,930 if married.
• had no children, earned less than $15,010; or $20,600 if married.

The EIC is the biggest tax benefit for working families, but there are other important tax credits. The Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit, gives families with child care expenses up to $3,000 for one child or up to $6,000 for two or more children.

To learn the location of free tax preparation sites, staffed by well-trained community volunteers, or to get more information on the tax credits, please call 1-800-638-2937 or visit the Maryland EITC web site at www.marylandtaxes.gov.

What’s New with Maryland EXCELS?

High quality child care for all children is the goal for Maryland’s quality rating and improvement system known as Maryland EXCELS. To assist early care and education programs in their efforts to continuously improve programing, the Maryland EXCELS team has enhanced the web site (www.marylandexcels.org) with the addition of the EXCELS Toolkit. Check out the toolkit today and begin using the many resources available to you as you strive to enhance your program.
### BALTIMORE CITY CHILD CARE RESOURCE CENTER

#### January 2018

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- **January 17**: Helping Children Cope: Recognizing and Responding to Childhood Trauma
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- **January 31**: Basic Health and Safety

To register, fill out the enclosed form or go to [www.bcccrc.org](http://www.bcccrc.org) to register online.
Basic Health and Safety
This class satisfies the new MSDE training requirement.
In order to be in compliance with the regulations set forth by the Federal Child Care Development Block Grant all individuals working in child care must complete this course by July 1, 2018. The Basic Health and Safety Training will cover ten specific topic areas as identified by the CCDBG regulations.

**Topic:** 3 hours Health, Safety, and Nutrition  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 10  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at The Center for Jewish Education, 5708 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215.

**Medication Administration** (All)
In this class, led by a Child Care Nurse Consultant, participants will learn basic information about administering medication to infant, toddlers, and preschool children. This class fulfills the MSDE/OCC requirement.

**Topic:** 6 hours Health, Safety, and Nutrition  
**Date:** Saturday, January 13  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.  
(Bring bag lunch)  
**Fee:** $60; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at the Julie Community Center, 100 S. Washington Street, 21231.

**Learning and Growing Together with Families**
In this workshop discussion will center on the importance of building trusting relationships with the families whose children are in your care. Strategies for building and maintaining professional, yet caring, relationships will be shared.

**Topic:** 3 hours Community  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 17  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at the Baltimore Infant and Toddlers Building, 3002 Druid Park Drive, Baltimore, MD 21215.

**Including all Children and the Americans with Disabilities Act (All)**
This course fulfills the MSDE/OCC training requirement.
This course provides an understanding of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as an understanding of inclusionary practices based on national standards and best practices in early childhood education. Strategies for including all children in an early childhood setting will be explored and local, state and national resources will be shared. It is important to remember that this course is required training.

**Topic:** 3 hours Special Needs  
**Date:** Monday, January 22  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at the Julie Community Center, 100 S. Washington Street, 21231.

**Helping Children Cope: Recognizing and Responding to Childhood Trauma** (New)
Many of the children that you care for each day are dealing with traumatic events that impact their ability to thrive and learn. In this workshop we will look at the latest research on the impact of trauma on young children and explore concrete ways that we can help children develop coping skills to increase resilience.

**Topic:** 3 hours Child Development  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 24  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at The Center for Jewish Education, 5708 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215.

**Working with Mixed Age Groups**
This workshop is designed to meet the training needs of first year family child care providers.
Working with mixed age groups can be a wonderful but challenging experience. In this workshop you will learn techniques that will help you work with children of all ages in your family child care home.

**Topic:** 3 hours Curriculum  
**Date:** Saturday, January 27  
**Time:** 9:15 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

**Call Sue Penix, BCCCRC Infant Toddler Specialist, on 410-685-5150, extension 272 to set up a special winter story hour for the little ones in your program.**
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## February 2018

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## Training Descriptions February 2018

### Traveling in Cars with Kids: Care Seat Safety (New)

During this workshop, providers will learn how to properly protect the children that they transport. Participants will engage in hands-on activities that will encourage proper use and installation of car seats, booster seats and seat belts.

**Topic:** 3 hours Health, Safety and Nutrition  
**Date:** Saturday, February 3  
**Time:** 9:15 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

### Working Together: The Importance of Community Helpers in Our Daily Lives (New)

Community Helpers are all around us supporting our communities and neighborhoods. In this workshop you will learn how to introduce the people in your neighborhood to the children in your care.

**Topic:** 2 hours Curriculum  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 7  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** $22; Must pre-register  
**IMPORTANT:** This class will be held at The Center for Jewish Education, 5708 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

### Medication Administration (All)

In this class, led by a Child Care Nurse Consultant, participants will learn basic information about administering medication to infant, toddlers, and preschool children. This class fulfills the MSDE/OCC requirement.

**Topic:** 6 hours Health, Safety and Nutrition  
**Date:** Saturday, February 10  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** $60; Must pre-register  
**IMPORTANT:** This class will be held at the Julie Community Center, 100 S. Washington Street, 21231.  
Bring a bag lunch.

### Math Activities Using Children’s Literature

In this interactive workshop participants will explore various children’s books and learn how to use the concepts in children’s literature to introduce math concepts and activities.

**Topic:** 2 hours Curriculum  
**Date:** Monday, February 12  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** $22; Must pre-register  
**IMPORTANT:** This class will be held at the Baltimore Infant and Toddlers Building, 3002 Druid Park Drive, Baltimore, MD 21215

### Risk Reduction: Sudden Infant Death Syndrome

Presenter will share the knowledge that has been gained by research into SIDS and what can be done to lower the risk of sudden death of infants in your care.

**Date:** Thursday, February 15  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

### Basic Health and Safety

This class satisfies the new MSDE training requirement.

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**Topic:** 3 hours Health, Safety and Nutrition  
**Date:** Saturday, February 17  
**Time:** 9:15 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

### Childhood Depression

In this class, led by a child psychologist, we will examine how depression manifests itself in young children and how early care and education professionals can be instrumental in supporting the young child and family.

**Topic:** 3 hours Special Needs  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 20  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

### Beyond Management: How to be an Effective Leader

As the manager of a child care program there are important day-to-day operations that you must attend to in order to keep the program running. Just as important is you’re ability to be an effective leader for your staff as well as a leader in the early care and education profession. This workshop will examine leadership qualities and discuss effective strategies to move beyond just being a manager.

**Topic:** 3 hours Professionalism  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 21  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register

### Basic Health and Safety

This class satisfies the new MSDE training requirement.

In order to be in compliance with the regulations set forth by the Federal Child Care Development Block Grant all individuals working in child care must complete this course by July 1, 2018. The Basic Health and Safety Training will cover ten specific topic areas as identified by the CCDBG regulations.

**Topic:** 3 hours Health, Safety and Nutrition  
**Date:** Monday, February 26  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.  
**Fee:** $25; Must pre-register  
**IMPORTANT:** This class will be held at the Julie Community Center, 100 S. Washington Street, 21231.
## March 2018

**Baltimore City Child Care Resource Center**

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Training Descriptions
March 2018

45-Hour Infant and Toddler Pre-service Course
Please see full description on page of Newsletter, including location, dates, time and fee.

Family Child Care Pre-service Module 1 — Child Development
This workshop will cover basic child development concepts including: stages of child growth and development; an overview of leading child development theorists; and an overview of learning differences.
Topic: 4 hours Child Development
Date: Thursday, March 1
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

Music and Movement in the Early Childhood Classroom
Music in the early childhood classroom should be much more than a CD playing in the background. In this interactive workshop participants will learn effective strategies for incorporating meaningful music and movement activities into the daily curriculum.
Topic: 3 hours Curriculum
Date: Saturday, March 3
Time: 9:15 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.
Fee: $25; Must pre-register

Nutrition and Wellness for Child Care
Sound nutrition, proper sleep, and physical movement are all very important components for providing excellent care and programming for young children. In this workshop discussion will focus on best practices in child care and how professionals partner with families to promote wellness for young children.
Topic: 3 hours, Health, Safety and Nutrition
Date: Wednesday, March 7
Time: 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
Fee: $25; Must pre-register

Emergency Preparedness — Project Security Blanket (All)
This statewide training was developed by a team of experts from Chesapeake College on the Eastern Shore and meets the OCC required training. In this workshop discussion will center on how to be prepared for any and all emergencies. Participants will prepare a written emergency plan for their program that goes beyond the basic licensing requirements and develop an understanding of the importance of following this plan.
Topic: 6 hours Health, Safety, and Nutrition
Date: Saturday, March 10
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.
(Bring bag lunch)
Fee: $60; Must pre-register

Family Child Care Pre-service Module 3 — Health, Safety and Nutrition
This workshop will focus on the components of emergency preparedness, menu planning, and on health and safety concerns when caring for young children.
Topic: 4 hours Health, Safety, and Nutrition
Date: Thursday, March 15
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

Family Child Care Pre-service Module 4 — Special Needs
This workshop will cover basic information regarding inclusive child care; the ADA requirements; and health, behavioral, and developmental issues and concerns.
Topic: 4 hours Special Needs
Date: Thursday, March 22
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

 Including all Children and the Americans with Disabilities Act (All)
This course fulfills the MSDE/OCC training requirement.
This course provides an understanding of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as an understanding of inclusionary practices based on national standards and best practices in early childhood education. Strategies for including all children in an early childhood setting will be explored and local, state and national resources will be shared. It is important to remember that this course is required training.
Topic: 3 hours Special Needs
Date: Monday, March 19
Time: 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
Fee: $25; Must pre-register

Family Child Care Pre-service Module 2 — Curriculum
Through this workshop participants will develop a better understanding of the components of a family child care curriculum; how to create a developmentally appropriate curriculum for family child care; and how to plan and design the family child care environment.
Topic: 4 hours Curriculum
Date: Thursday, March 8
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

Medication Administration (All)
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Date: Saturday, March 10
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.
(Bring bag lunch)
Fee: $60; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at The Julie Community Center, 100 S. Washington Street, 21231. Bring a bag lunch.

Ants in Their Pants
Extra kinetic learners are naturally more active and have more physical energy to expend than other children. In this workshop we will explore how these extra busy hands can be managed with consistency, sensory-integrated tools and techniques, varied play, and structured environments.
Topic: 2 hours Child Development
Date: Monday, March 12
Time: 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Fee: $22; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at the Baltimore Infants/Toddler Building, 3002 Druid Park Drive, 21215

Family Child Care Pre-service Module 3 — Health, Safety and Nutrition
This workshop will focus on the components of emergency preparedness, menu planning, and on health and safety concerns when caring for young children.
Topic: 4 hours Health, Safety, and Nutrition
Date: Thursday, March 15
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

Family Child Care Pre-service Module 4 — Special Needs
This workshop will cover basic information regarding inclusive child care; the ADA requirements; and health, behavioral, and developmental issues and concerns.
Topic: 4 hours Special Needs
Date: Thursday, March 22
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

2018 Emotional Wellness Conference
Registration Brochure will be mailed in early February.
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To register, fill out the enclosed form or go to www.bcccrc.org to register online.
Training Descriptions
April 2018

Family Child Care Pre-service
Module 5 — Professionalism
This workshop will give participants the opportunity to explore and understand the importance of specific concepts and practices that will form the foundation for a successful program including: supervision, abuse & neglect, appropriate guidance, record keeping, marketing, contracts, policies & procedures, and developing handbooks.

- Topic: 4 hours Professionalism
- Date: Thursday, April 5
- Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
- Fee: $30/ or $160 for all six modules; Must pre-register

Basic Health and Safety
This class satisfies the new MSDE training requirement.
In order to be in compliance with the regulations set forth by the Federal Child Care Development Block Grant all individuals working in child care must complete this course by July 1, 2018. The Basic Health and Safety Training will cover ten specific topic areas as identified by the CCDBG regulations.

- Topic: 3 hours Health, Safety, and Nutrition
- Date: Monday, April 9
- Time: 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
- Fee: $25; Must pre-register

Building Your Parent Handbook and Contract
This workshop is designed to assist programs in meeting the Maryland EXCELS standard. We will review components of a parent handbook and contract and work together to either create a new document or revise a current one.

- Topic: 3 hours Professionalism
- Date: Wednesday, April 11
- Time: 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
- Fee: $25; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at The Julie Community Center, 100 S. Washington Street, 21231. Bring a bag lunch.

Medication Administration (All)
In this class, led by a Child Care Nurse Consultant, participants will learn basic information about administering medication to infant, toddlers, and pre-school children. This class fulfills the MSDE/OCC requirement.

- Topic: 6 hours Health, Safety and Nutrition
- Date: Saturday, April 14
- Time: 9:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.
- Fee: $60; Must pre-register

Understanding Learning Disabilities
In this class, led by a child psychologist, we will examine different learning disabilities that can manifest in early childhood and how to recognize and respond to learning differences in early childhood.

- Topic: 3 hours Special Needs
- Date: Tuesday, April 17
- Time: 6:15 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
- Fee: $25; Must pre-register

Risk Reduction: Sudden Infant Death Syndrome
Presenter will share the knowledge that has been gained by research into SIDS and what can be done to lower the risk of sudden death of infants in your care.

- Date: Thursday, April 19
- Time: 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
- Fee: $22; Must pre-register

Medical Consultant, participants will learn how to recognize and respond to learning differences in early childhood.

- Date: Thursday, April 19
- Time: 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
- Fee: $22; Must pre-register

Infant and Toddler SEFEL
In this workshop the principles of the social and emotional foundations for early learning will be explored. Discussion will center on intentional caregiving that supports social and emotional development, the importance of environment in promoting social emotional competence and the importance of positive interactions between caregivers and young children.

- Topic: 12 hours:
  - 6 hours Child Development;
  - 4 hours Curriculum;
  - 2 hours Community
- Date: Saturday, April 21
  and Saturday, April 28
- Time: 9:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.
  (Bring bag lunch)
- Fee: $50; Must pre-register

Supporting Breast Feeding in Child Care
This class fulfills the MSDE/OCC requirement for all providers who care for infants and toddlers.
This class will focus on the new requirements and procedures for supporting the needs of families within the child care setting.

- Topic: 1 hour Continuing Education
- Date: Monday, April 23
- Time: 6:15 p.m. — 7:15 p.m.
- Fee: $10; Must pre-register

Teaching Problem Solving Throughout the Day
In this workshop discussion will center on the importance of teaching young children problem solving techniques by identifying problem solving steps and learning strategies to assist children in learning how to solve problems.

- Topic: 3 hours Child Development
- Date: Wednesday, April 25
- Time: 6:15 pm — 9:15pm
- Fee: $25; Must pre-register

IMPORTANT: This class will be held at The Center for Jewish Education, 5708 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

Family Child Care Pre-service
Module 6 – Community
This workshop will focus on the importance of developing and maintaining relationships with children, families, and the larger community.

- Topic: 4 hours Community
- Date: Thursday, April 12
- Time: 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
- Fee: $30/ or $150 for all six modules; Must pre-register
Important Registration Policies

When registering for training classes at BCCCRC please remember the following:

• **Pre-registration is required.** Registration and payment must be received three days in advance of the training.

• **Registration fees are non-refundable.** With 24-hour prior notice you may transfer to another class or receive a credit for a future training class, except for Medication Administration.

• Registration is on a first come, first served basis. If your registration is received after a workshop has reached capacity you will be notified immediately and your payment will be returned.

• A confirmation letter will be sent for all classes — please read your letter carefully. You will not receive reminder cards for each class.

• Payment can be made by check, money order or credit card. **No cash please.**

• Presence at the entire workshop constitutes attendance. Out of respect for our trainers and all of those in attendance, no one will be admitted to a training session that has been in progress for fifteen minutes or more.

• Workshops are for adults only. Please make child care arrangements in advance — children will not be admitted to a training class.

• Reasonable accommodations are offered, if needed. Please call the Resource Center one week in advance to request accommodations.

• In case of inclement weather, workshops held on a weeknight will be cancelled if the Baltimore County Public Schools are closed on that day. On weekends, call the Resource Center and listen to the message regarding Saturday classes.

**TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES:**

• Complete a registration form and keep a copy for your records. Only those registrations received on a registration form will be accepted.

• Mail or deliver the completed form and payment to BCCCRC.

• Register with a credit card online at www.bcccrc.org.

• Remember — registrations must be received at BCCCRC three days prior to the scheduled training.