The Playground

Checking in with Background Checks

We know everyone is exhausted from the abundance of changes and updates which is why we wanted to check in and make sure you have the most current tips for the new live scan process:

- * For the new live scan process, make sure you or your staff bring the fingerprint instruction sheet with you. The highlighted example on Page 7 of the packet includes all of the required account codes and submission information that the fingerprint agency will need in order to submit fingerprints electronically.
- * If an applicant is going to a listed fingerprinting business, please make sure they have their fingerprints <u>submitted</u> <u>electronically at the business</u> and receive a Transmission Confirmation Number. This eliminates needing to send in a fingerprint card and money order.
- * **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** If any of you or your staff have a work permit expiring soon, please plan to fingerprint up to 3 months before expiration to ensure there is no gap in your background clearance.

"The goal of early childhood education should be to activate the child's own natural desire to learn." ~ Maria Montessori

Truckee Meadows Fire Inspections

- → If you are a center in the jurisdiction of TMFPD, we have been informed that they will now be charging an \$80 fee for inspections.
- → Our understanding at this time is they will provide an invoice following their inspection and the invoice will be able to be paid online <u>here</u>.



APPLICANTS CANNOT FINGERPRINT AT WCSO FOR THE NEW LIVE SCAN PROCESS, BELOW ARE APPROVED LIVE SCAN LOCATIONS:

- Martin Ross & Associates
- Fingerprinting Express (accepts walk-ins)
- The UPS Store #3120
- Fieldprint—The Computer Guy (Reno)
- Fieldprint—The UPS Store #4290
- The UPS Store #4290
- Quick Prints Inc.

*Feedback so far has been that Fingerprinting Express might be the most affordable option and accepts walk-ins.

Nevada Strong Start Child Care Services Center

The Child Care Services Center aims to provide easily accessible resources such as training, quality improvement, small business administration resources, networking, behavioral and health referrals for children, child care subsidy resources, educational and professional development grants, small business loans, early childhood substitutes, and more to child care providers. In order to do so, they house several partner organizations in one location at 961 Matley Ln # 110, Reno, NV.

In addition, there are several on-site accommodations including:

- * Lending Library
- Resource Supply Room (includes supplies and equipment for staff to create classroom signs or create material for activities—they even have a Cricut!)
- Conference Room you can book at no cost
- Playroom







Make sure you stay in-the-know with all things training and The Nevada Registry by checking out their News page often. Click <u>here</u> to visit now! There are even instructional articles that Can assist with getting the most out of Director accessibility and functions.

Did you know that all trainings you have submitted to The Nevada Registry are combined in a Training Transcript you can access through your Online Portal? We encourage you to get familiar with the transcripts as there is hope they will replace the need to keep individual certificates on file in the near future. Check out their <u>Video Tutorial Library</u> for instructional videos, including how to Navigate your Online Portal.

TODDLERS: WHEN BITING BEGINS

Most everyone in the child care field has experienced having a "biter" in the classroom. Unfortunately, we all know this can lead to upset parents and stressed out teachers. Here are a few suggestions that can assist in decreasing biting in the classroom:

1. Shadow children that tend to bite in order to gain more insight into the behavior and ensure closer teacher proximity for quicker intervention

2. Create a biting log that includes the time of day/ activity/precursor events to assist with planning for such scenarios to prevent biting

3. Notify parents of the behavior so they know that you are aware of the issue and have a plan in place to address and support the children

4. Read books about biting



Thank you to everyone in the early childhood field for your continued perseverance over the

past few years and providing stability to the children in your care. In addition, we thank you for the patience and kindness you have also shown us while we have all navigated this season of change.



Regulation Spotlight

Section 25: Before/After School Care

Permission to provide before/after-school care.

- A. A licensee of a family home or group home may, after obtaining the written permission of the Agency, provide care before and after normal school hours for as many as three children in addition to the number stated on the facility's license if each of the additional children:
 - At least 6 years of age or is attending school for a full day; and
 - b. Less than 16 years of age.
- B. Children who live in such a home and are 11 years of age or less must be included in counting the additional children.

Children in preschool programs do not meet the criteria of attending school for a full day. Only children in Kindergarten and up can count in the before/after school endorsement.