HRG-UCLCC NEWS

Phone: (715) 346-4370 **April 2026**

Dear Families,

Welcome to Spring – HOPEFULLY SOON anyways!!! Hope everyone had a great spring break and either got away from or enjoyed the big snowmageddon! Many children have been sharing exciting details from their travels over the break. The teachers have been busy working on the children's assessments & portfolios along with elaborate art creations for the upcoming art show. The semester is moving by so fast and will wrap up before we know it.

Throughout April and into May the children will begin planting seeds and getting some seedlings started as we prepare to enter our gardening season. Teachers Maggie and Erin have again agreed to take the lead on our center's gardening between now and into the fall. **If you are interested in helping throughout the summer, donating any gardening supplies, or being involved in any way, please talk with the office or the Bunny classroom teachers.**

Parent-Teacher conferences for spring were completed just prior to break. Even if you have great daily communication with your child's teacher, these conferences cover many things outside the daily activities here. If you are ever feeling like you have more of a need to talk to your child's teacher beyond the 15-minute conference time allotment, please know that a separate meetings can be arranged at any time.

Springtime in Wisconsin brings many different weather conditions – CLEARLY ☺ Please dress your child according to the weather & bring extra clothing, socks, shoes, & rain boots if muddy! The children go outside even in the rain so appropriate rain gear beyond the center provided muddy buddies is helpful. Also, please take home winter clothing when the time comes – hopefully soon!!

Center Information

Office Phone: 715-346-4370
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EXAM WEEK SIGN UP

It is that time again; **sign up** on the sheet posted on the wall to your immediate right upon exiting the elevator into the UCLCC to indicate if your child will NOT be in attendance, or will have a reduced schedule, during the week of **May 11-15**. Deadline to sign up is **Friday, April 17**. Regular contracted fees will be charged if a family does not sign up for an altered exam week schedule by the set deadline and regular fees will be charged regardless of if a two-week notice is given of any schedule changes or notice of withdrawal during these weeks. The exception to the ability to alter your child's schedule would be the starlight classroom; they remain full-time during exam weeks.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

- **April 3rd** – Early Release (3pm closure)
- **April 7th** - 4K Boston School Forest Fieldtrip
- **April 13th-17th**, NAEYC Week of the Young Child (additional flyer attached to email)
- **Friday, April 24th** – UCLCC Closed (PD Day)
- **May 1st** – Early Release (3pm closure) LAST ONE!
- **Tuesday, May 5th** – Teacher Appreciation Day 😊 May 4th-8th, Teacher Appreciation Wk.
- **May 11th** - Student Aide Appreciation Day
- **May 18th** - Beginning of lunches from home (including milk)
- **May 25th** – Memorial Day, UCLCC closed
- **June 4th** - 4K Graduation 6:30-7:30pm in the UWSP Dreyfus Univ. Center Alumni Room
- **Friday, June 5th** – UCLCC Closed

Watch future newsletters for more dates to come!!

Bug Repellent & Sunscreen

Families who would like bug repellent applied to their child are asked to bring the brand of their choice, in the original container, labeled with their child's name. An authorization form will need to be completed before the bug repellent can be applied. Only bug repellent using DEET will be applied to children. Children in the school-age summer program have the option to sign up to use the school provided bug repellent (OFF Family Care)

Sunscreen options are also provided by the center for a fee per child per year if families choose. An authorization form must be completed before it can be applied. Families who have a personal preference of sunscreens may bring their own from home in the original container, labeled with their child's name, and an authorization form filled out for that product. **Families should apply sunscreen at home prior to dropping off in the morning and the UCLCC will provide additional applications thereafter.**

*A separate email will be coming out mid-April specific to these items with more details & fees.

Upcoming…
Teacher Appreciation Wk.

May 4th – 8th marks Teacher Appreciation week. Please join in thanking the teaching staff for all the wonderful things they do each and every day and letting them know what an enormus value they are to us all!!

Meals @ UCLCC

Starting May 18th, lunch will need to be provided from home **daily** including milk.

The center will continue to provide the morning breakfast and afternoon snack. This will continue throughout the summer until fall semester begins in September. Updated menus for fall will be provided this summer.

Materials Collection Cart

As you come off the elevator and to your right you will find a small white cart labeled "Materials Collection Cart." Written on there will be specific items the classrooms teachers are requesting to complete various projects and learning activities in their classrooms. If you have any of these items that may otherwise find their way into the trash, we ask you to please bring them in and place items on the cart. **This month's items are:**

Old Cell Phones & Cameras

Student Aide Appreciation

As those of you who are familiar with our program likely already know, we always do something for our amazing student staff around finals week each semester to thank them for all their hard work and fuel them up for success on their exams.

This semester we will be giving each aide goodies of appreciation. We are looking for **individually wrapped, store-made items** that we can then package into each aide's goodie bag. **We are requesting any items your family wishes to contribute be dropped off in Kara's office by the morning of Friday, May 8th** as we plan to distribute items the following week on May 11th. Suggestion items would be:

- Popcorn
- Pretzels
- Coffee
- Chips
- Granola or Fruit Bars
- Fresh fruit
- Fun size candy bars
- Small homemade cards/a
- Fidgets

***We have 30 student staff**

Please help us in thanking our wonderfully amazing student staff!!