



Division of Early Care & Education Newsletter



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New Family Child Care Super Saturday in Spartanburg



Join the Family Child Care Network for a special day filled with training sessions that qualify for DSS credit hours, including CPR and First Aid training, for just \$20. Do you have questions about your training requirements, child enrollment capacity, supervision, or other questions regarding operating your Family Child Care Business? Bring your lunch for a special lunch and learn session with Child Care Licensing staff to answer your questions about operating a Family Child Care business. You will also learn how to create an exciting outdoor learning environment that will have children, parents, and teachers enjoying the great outdoors!

Saturday, October 28, 2017

Spartanburg County Library, 151 South Church Street, Spartanburg, SC 29306

9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

To register or for more information, please [click here](#).



Family Child Care Resource Fair

Join us for an EXCLUSIVE Family Child Care Resource Fair! This is an opportunity to explore local, statewide, and national family child care resources that will enhance your family child care business. Not only will you have the opportunity to learn about multi-age group activities to do with children in your care, but you will also develop ways to market your business. Additionally, you will receive information about financial assistance programs to help families pay for child care and learn how to register for a Family Child Care Certificate or Degree at your local community college. Be present to win a "Quality Child Care Starts with You: Family Child Care Makeover!" with a SC Child Care Resource & Referral Network Quality Coach who will provide on-site technical assistance!

DSS Credit: 1.5 Hours Professional Development

Thursday, November 2, 2017: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

United Way – 105 Edinburg Court, Greenville, SC 29601

To register, call Quality Coach Linda Doherty 864-982-1102



Celebrate National Farm to School Month in October

October is National Farm to School Month, a time to celebrate connections between schools (and preschools) and local food! On Friday, October 27, join other child care facilities in the state as you serve SC-grown food. Try a taste test with children in your care using Certified SC produce. Post a photo with the hashtag #mycertifiedplate on Facebook and Instagram to be entered to win Farm to Preschool prizes! The first 300 participants will receive stickers and seeds to celebrate Farm to School month. For more information and ideas to celebrate National Farm to School Month, visit www.scfarmtoinstitution.com.



Get Cooking in Your Preschool with some Delicious Fall Recipes: Porcupine Sliders

Make these mouthwatering [turkey burgers with sweet cranberries](#) and serve them on a whole wheat roll.

Children will love the autumn flavors of this dish!

For more ideas about menu planning and recipes to use in your child care program, contact Lynn Boyd with ABC Quality at 803-351-5922 or lynn.boyd@dss.sc.gov

Product Recalls

DSS Regulation 114-507C(2) states that furniture, toys and recreational equipment shall meet the standards of the US Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC), if applicable, and that recalled products shall not be accessible to children. For more information, call CPSC's hotline at 800-638-2772 or visit their website: www.cpsc.gov. To report a dangerous product or related injury, go to <http://saferproducts.gov>.

- **Fabri-Tech Infant Rompers** due to choking hazard caused by detachable buttons.
- **Hallmark Plush Baby Stacking Toys** due to choking hazard caused by detachable hats and bows.
- **Asherangel Children's Sleepwear** due to violation of federal flammability standard.

- **Ameriwood Home Chests of Drawers** due to tip-over and entrapment hazards.
- **L.L. Bean Toddler Sweater Fleece Pullovers** due to choking hazard caused by detachable snaps.
- **Studio Fun International Slap Bracelets** due to laceration hazard caused by metal band.
- **Target Room Essentials 4-Drawer Dressers** due to tip-over and entrapment hazards.
- **Demdaco Infant Bib and Bootie Sets** due to choking hazard caused by detachable rattles.

National Children's Health Month



Since 1992, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has designated October as Child Health Month to increase public awareness of the value of preventive health care for children. This year's theme is "Protecting Children Where They Live, Learn, and Play." During this month, you are encouraged to challenge yourself by thinking of changes you can make to protect children from environmental risks. See how many of these tips you can follow in the 31 days of this month: [Children's Health Month Tip Calendar](#). For more ideas, visit [What You Can Do to Protect Children from Environmental Risks](#).