

NEAELC NEWSLETTER

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A Message From The Director:

Over the last two months we have undergone some dramatic changes here at Northeastern Academy and Early Learning Center. From a new Director to practically all new teachers. As promised from my very first day on the job, quality changes are in the works for everyone the staff, children, and their families included. Thank you all for hanging in there with us as we work on becoming one of the best centers in the QCA.

New Kitchen & New Menu

As promised a brand new 6-week rotating menu has been developed by yours truly! This menu is packed full of a variety of well-balanced meals and healthy snacks. Each day there will be a vegetarian/non-dairy option for those children we serve who require special diet modifications due to health or religious reasons.

That's not all! We are excited to announce that we are no longer catering our lunches from Hy-Vee and our kitchen is officially a full service kitchen with a new double oven and stove!

New Tuition Rates

As many of you are aware our tuition rates increased as of September 1st. After reviewing the previous budget and our current goals of becoming an IQ4K rated center it was necessary to implement a tuition increase. The new rates support our decision to hire more staff, reduce teacher to child ratios and provide additional training and support in every room. Families who were enrolled prior to September 1st will take on the new rate of tuition during their child's transition to their next class or no later than December 1st when the rates will be in full effect for all. Please read and sign the Tuition Rates Announcement available in your child's class.

Saturday Childcare Services:

As some of you may know we will begin an added service for childcare on Saturdays beginning in November. This service is not included in our M-F tuition rates, and we will not be accepting subsidy payments for this service. At this time, we will only enroll children between the ages of 18M-5years of age. For the whole month of October, we will hold a sign-up event to receive 50% off registration fees. Please see the Director for any additional information.

Happy
HALLOWEEN!



Teacher of the Month

Ashley Parris from our Infants Class was voted Teacher of the month. Parents and fellow staff have shouted out Ms. Ashley for being a natural born caregiver, handworker and well-organized teammate. Let's not forget to mention how everyone loves her title of "The shoe police", always trying to eliminate those unnecessary germs on the floor for our small crawlers. Way to go Ms. Ashley, keep up the great work the families, children and your teammates appreciate you!

Halloween & Pumpkin Contest

This year each class will decorate their very own class pumpkin. The pumpkins will be on display in the lobby, and everyone is encouraged to vote for which class has the best pumpkin!

October 31st falls on a Thursday this year. We will host a parade in the parking lot at 4pm. We encourage families to attend and walk with their children if available to do so. Each class will have their own festive party from 2-3:30 filled with fun games, crafts, and a special treat. Children are welcome to bring their costumes in wear them during their party and the parade. Staff will participate in a costume contest, and everyone is encouraged to vote for the best dressed costume!

For more news and updates, please download our app or visit our website at www.neaelc.com. You can also pick up a copy of our latest edition in the lobby. Thank you for reading!