

ECE HEATING UPDATE - Utilities reports that the ECE Boiler is in the process of being replaced. There is also a back up system plan to install individual split HVAC units in each classroom. We do not have a target date for those projects to be completed and will continue to utilize space heaters to warm the classrooms.



ABOUT ECE The Warm Springs ECE Programs include Head Start which is offered for free weekdays 7:30am – 2pm during the school year and ECE Day Care Programs that include the Infant Center plus the Preschool Care Classrooms that offer care 2-5:30pm for Head Start children and 7:30am – 5:30pm for all Infants/Toddlers/Striders.

The Tribal Member Rate for Childcare is \$350/month for children6 weeks to 3 years of age. For the Preschool Care kids 3-5 – the rate is \$225/month.

The cost of child care is also supplemented by the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) which is a federal and state partnership program that provides financial assistance to low income families to access child care so they can work or attend a job training or educational program. Eligibility for CCDF assistance is based, in part, on income & need.

The Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) program helps families who are working, in school, or receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) pay for child care. This is a subside program that means many families still pay part of the child care cost.

This past fall – Day Care accounts were reviewed and families received communication about current year rates and payment obligations. If you have any questions about your Day Care Bill – please talk with Reona Trimble or Paulette Henry.

RESOURCE REMINDERS

The Mountain Star Resource Bus is parked at the Warm Springs Community Action Team on Fridays from 10am – 3pm to distribute diapers and other supplies. Families who register with Mountain Star can pick up items each week.

There is interest in having the bus park at ECE. If you would like to give input on that please let our Family Services Advocates know.



WARM SPRINGS TRANSITION **TO KINDERGARTEN** TRAINING uesday, February 4th 2:00-2:00pm Childhood You will: • Learn how to create/have a vision for your child's education as they start Kindergarten. Understand Special Education services as your child starts school. • Learn how to be a part of your child's Individual Education Program team. • Gain tips and tools for the Special Education process. **BROUGHT IN PARTNERSHIP BY:** 200 CALLIE KACKLEY Parent & CODSN Staff To register, visit: <u>https://www.codsn.c</u> Questions? 541-548-8559 or

The Central Oregon Disability Support Network (CODSN) will be hosting Warm Springs Transition to Kindergarten Training at the at ECE on Tue, Feb 4th from 12-2 PM.

If you would like to learn more about this event or other resources available through CODSN, you can stop by to talk with Kristina on Tuesdays in the office next to the hallway off the ECE Lobby.