

## Meeting Information:

The ACAFCC business/training meetings are held on Mondays monthly from 6:30-9:00pm. There will be snacks and refreshments before the meeting & the training. Meetings are currently being held at the Thornton Civic Center which is located at 9500 Civic Center Drive. Major cross streets are I-25 and Thornton Pkwy. This is located on the north side of Thornton Parkway. At times these meetings may be moved to an alternate location. In this event you will be notified by phone and/or e-mail prior to the meeting.

Currently the association provides (15) hours of training per year, with (3) hours of the required social emotional training. We offer some (3) hour training sessions during the year from 6:30pm—9:30pm in place of the normal meeting. Please note that you must be present for the entire three hours in order to get your training certificate.

If you would like to attend any of the monthly trainings and you are not a member of the ACAFCC the cost will be \$5.00 at the door. If you do not want a training certificate then you may attend for free.

**Please RSVP one week in advance to Vicki Maestas if you will be attending.**

### Upcoming Meetings:

[nanasc@comcast.net](mailto:nanasc@comcast.net)

(303) 284-6038

#### April

**Board Meeting:** April 4, Mistie Scudder's Home

**General Meeting:** April 18, CESFEL

#### May

**Board Meeting:** May 2, Di Anna Wheeling's Home

**General Meeting:** May 16, Elections

#### June

**Board Meeting:** Vicki Maestas' Home

**General Meeting:** June, 20 QRIS Training with  
Rosemarie Allen

### Board Meetings:

Board Meetings are held the first Monday of every month beginning at 6:30 pm. Board meetings are open to all members, please just call and let the host know that you will be attending.



## President's Message

*Providers,*

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you that have served on the Board and Committees this past year.*

*A special thank you to Vicki Maestas who served as my 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President these past few years. I look forward to having you as our new Treasure, also thank you for all your great work on bring in some really good trainings.*

*To Jennifer Gustin thank you for your hard work on the newsletter. Thank you to Mistie Scudder for her work as membership coordinator and to Deborah for all your work as our publicity coordinator. You ladies help will be greatly missed.*

*Thank you to Dorie and DiAnna and Shirley for continuing this next year in your current office.*

*I would like to thank the past referral providers for all the time you put in and I look forward to working with all the new providers that have stepped up to help the Association out in the next year to come.*

*This is the last year that I am able to be President and I look forward to serving you for another year.*

*All of the new offices will be voted on at our May election on May 16<sup>th</sup> Please come out and vote our new officials in. The officers will take up their new positions on June 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*I what you to think even if you haven't been in child care long or even held an office what can you do to keep the Association going. The child care association needs you, your help, & your ideas, to keep us the strong, active Association we have become. Without you there is no future for us.*

*Melinda Kurgan    President*

*Happy Birthday!!*

<b>April</b>			<b>May</b>		
Janice	Robison	May 10	Barbara	Case	April 04
Amanda	Faatz	May 21	Beverley	Decoteau	April 07
Marylin	Bittner	May 24	Shelia	Wike	April 19
Nancy	Williams	May 24			
Alicia	Maguina	May 26			
Gloria	Hildman	May 28			

**New Rules and Regulations:**

**Follow the steps below to access the Family Child Care Home Rules effective 01/01/2010 on the Secretary of State Website.**

www.sos.state.co.us/CCR  
(enter)

Browse the CCR by Rule Number

**(Click)**

2500, Department of Human Services

**(Click)**

2509, Social Services Rules

**(Click)**

12 CCR 2509-8 Rules Manual Volume 7, Child Care Facility Licensing

**(Click)**

7.707 Rules Regulating Family Child Care Homes (Rev.eff.1/1/10)

**(Click)**



**ACAFCC Board Members**

**Executive Board**

President:	Melinda Kurgan
First Vice President:	Vicki Maestas
Second Vice President:	DiAnna Wheeling
Secretary:	Dorie Garrett
Treasurer:	OPEN

**Elected Committee Board (1 year terms)**

Newsletter Editor:	Jennifer Gustin
Membership Coordinator:	Mistie Scudder
Fundraising/Publicity Coordinator:	Deborah Pollack
Referral Coordinator:	Shirley Dominquez
Training & Education Coordinator:	Vicki Maestas
CAFCC State Representative:	Shirley Dominquez

**Volunteer Committee Members**

Grievance:	Janice Robinson
Mentoring:	Janice Robinson
Sunshine:	Pauline Rivera & Angie Butler
Snack:	Summer Griffin

**By-Law Committee**

Dorie Garret
DiAnna Wheeling
Shalera Reanier

*Please call your referral rep if your opening status changes before they call you to update. This will ensure that you get the most calls possible!*

**Adams County is fortunate to be one of the counties in Colorado to be receiving funding for at least the next 9 months to provide mental health consultation to family child care providers! Providers: take advantage of this opportunity while it is available to you.**

The role of a mental health consultant is to work directly with you to help you promote the social-emotional development and well-being of the children in your care, to help you address challenging behaviors, and to assist you in working with parents around challenging behaviors. In addition, the mental health consultant is dedicated to helping parents be more involved and to increase their parenting skills. Parenting information and workshops will be available to family homes who participate. This funding is targeted (but not limited) to serve family child care homes who care for low-income children/families, but all family child care homes are encouraged to consider participation.

**If you are interested in learning more, please contact:**

Lisa Jansen Thompson at (303) 853-3832 or [l.jansenthompson@communityreachcenter.org](mailto:l.jansenthompson@communityreachcenter.org)

## Recipe Corner

### Ingredients:

White Cake Mix (with ingredients called for on box)

Food Coloring

White Baking Cups

Homemade Whip Cream or Store Bought Frosting

### Directions:

Make cake mix according to package directions. Divide cake batter evenly among bowls to accommodate the number of colors you would like. Drop food coloring into each bowl until you reach desired color. Place baking cups into standard size muffin pans and begin to distribute cake batter by spoonfuls evenly among all cups. After each color, spread batter with the back of your spoon. Layer colors as picture below and bake according to package directions. Allow cupcakes to cool and frost with your choice of topping.

Tip:

<b>RAINBOW COLOR</b>	<b>DROPS OF FOOD COLORING</b>
Purple	9 red and 6 blue drops
Blue	12 drops
Green	12 drops
Yellow	12 drops
Orange	12 yellow and 4 red drops
Red	18 drops



## Referral Information

Listed by City & Area Code

### *January*

City / Zip	Total Members	Total Calls	CCAP	School Age	Over 2	Under 2
<b>Aurora</b> 80010, 80011, 80012, 80019, 80040, 80042, 80045 <b>Bennett</b> 80045 <b>Watkins</b> 80136, 80137	10	3	3	0	1	2
<b>Brighton</b> 80601, 80603 <b>Hudson</b> 80642 <b>Keensburg</b> 80643 <b>Lochbuie</b> 80643	20	7	0	0	5	3
<b>Commerce City</b> 80022, 80037 <b>Dupont</b> 80024	6	5	3	0	1	4
<b>Westminster</b> 80030, 80031, 80035, 80036, 80221, 80260, <b>Federal Heights/Unincorp.</b> <b>Adams, Denver</b>	17	4	0	0	1	3
<b>Thornton/Brighton</b> <b>East of Colorado</b> 80229	No Info Available					
<b>Henderson</b> 80640	3	3	0	0	0	3
<b>Northglenn, Thornton, East-lake Westminster</b> 80233, 80241, 80234	21	8	0	0	6	2
<b>Thornton—West of Colorado</b>	8	0	0	0	0	0

## Referral Information

Listed by City & Area Code

*February*

City / Zip	Total Members	Total Calls	CCAP	School Age	Over 2	Under 2
<b>Aurora</b> 80010, 80011, 80012, 80019, 80040, 80042, 80045 <b>Bennett</b> 80045 <b>Watkins</b> 80136, 80137	10	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Brighton</b> 80601, 80603 <b>Hudson</b> 80642 <b>Keensburg</b> 80643 <b>Lochbuie</b> 80643	20	5	0	1	3	2
<b>Commerce City</b> 80022, 80037 <b>Dupont</b> 80024	6	3	3	0	0	3
<b>Westminster</b> 80030, 80031, 80035, 80036, 80221, 80260, <b>Federal Heights/Unincorp.</b> <b>Adams, Denver</b>	17	3	0	0	4	4
<b>Thornton/Brighton East of Colorado</b> 80229	No Info Available					
<b>Henderson</b> 80640	3	2	0	0	0	2
<b>Northglenn, Thornton, East-lake Westminster</b> 80233, 80241, 80234	21	12	1	0	5	7
<b>Thornton—West of Colorado</b>	8	0	0	0	0	0

## Referral Phone List

### Aurora 80010, 80011, 80012, 80019, 80040, 80042, 80045

#### Bennett 80045, Watkins 80137, 80136

Head	Betty Lewis	(303) 364-3233
Back-up	<i>None</i>	

### Brighton 80601, 80603 Hudson 80642, Keenesburg 80643, Lochbuie 80643

Head	Ellen Gerke	(303) 659-2527
Back-up	Gaylene Else	(303) 659-7830

### Commerce City 80022, 80037, Dupont 80024

Head	Genevieve Gurule	(303) 289-6164
Back-up	Lilly Leroux	(303) 287-6101

### Westminster 80030, 80031, 80035, 80036, 80221, 80260

#### Federal Heights/Unincorp. Adams, Denver,

Head	Lori Swenson	(303) 484 - 8133
Back-up	Linda Gamet	(303) 429-0125

### Thornton 80229

Head	Dianna Wheeling	(303) 862-7447
Back-Up	<i>None</i>	

### Henderson 80640

Head	Angie Butler	(303) 940-9452
Back-Up	Pauline Rivera	(303) 427-5351

### Northglenn, Thornton, Eastlake Westminster 80233, 80241, 80234

Head	Karen Gallegos	(303) 252-0938
Back-up	Tammy Digrazia	(303) 452-3823

### Thornton / Brighton 80233, 80241, 80602

Head	Tiffany Briggs	(720) 524-6947
Back-up	<i>None</i>	

## Phone List—Board Members

Office	Name	Hm Phone	Email
<b>President</b>	Melinda Kurgan	(303) 280-4607	kurgy1@msn.com
<b>1st Vice President</b>	Vicki Maestas	(303) 284-6038	nanascc@comcast.net
<b>2nd Vice President</b>	DiAnna Wheeling	(303)862-7447	diannawheeling@hotmail.com
<b>Secretary</b>	Dorie Garrett	(720) 335-8982	doriegarrett@comcast.net
<b>Treasurer</b>	~OPEN~		
<b>Membership Coordinator</b>	Mistie Scudder	(720) 685-3255	mistiescudder152@aol.com
<b>Referral Coordinator</b>	Shirley Dominquez	(303)452-4634	shirleydomin@hotmail.com
<b>Training &amp; Education Coordinator</b>	Vicki Maestas	(303) 284-6038	nanascc@comcast.net
<b>CAFCC State Representative</b>	Shirley Dominquez	(303) 452-4634	<u>shirleydomin@hotmail.com</u>
<b>Newsletter Editor</b>	Jennifer Gustin	(303) 255-2965	tgustin13@msn.com
<b>Publicity Coordinator</b>	Deborah Pollack	(303) 227-0156	rkymtnpol@comcast.net
<b>Grievance Committee</b>	Janice Robison	(303) 433-0692	
<b>Mentoring Committee</b>	Janice Robinson	(303) 433-0692	
<b>Sunshine Committee</b>	Pauline Rivera	(303) 427-5351	davidrivera@msn.com
	Angie Butler	(303) 940-9452	butler_angela@msn.com
<b>Fundraising Committee</b>	~ OPEN ~		
<b>Snack Committee</b>	Summer Griffin	(303) 450-0403	

<b>Red Rocks Community Collage</b>		<b><u>Metro Area Referral Listings</u></b>	
<b>Child Care Innovations Licensing</b>		Arapahoe County	(303) 246-5146
<b>13300 W. 6th Ave. Box</b>		<b>Adams County</b>	<b>(303) 451-1061</b>
<b>22B</b>		A Caregiver Network	(720) 870-1161
<b>Lakewood, CO 80228</b>		Boulder County	(303) 682-5122
Main Number	(303) 914-6304	Broomfield County	(303) 464-8307
Providers Number	(303)969-9666	Denver County	(303) 756-8901
Parents Number	1-877-338-2273	NE Denver	(303) 371-6750
Pat Bolton, Director	(303) 914-6527	Douglas County	(303) 841-7718
pat.bolton@rrcc.edu		Jefferson County	(303) 969-8772
Carin Rosa	x3054	Summit County	(970) 302-5998
Nicko Bettis	x3055	Weld County	(970) 302-0703
Tanya Estrada	x3056	<b>Colorado Dept of Human Services</b>	
Kristy Matthias	x3060	Dana Andrews	(303) 866-5946
Keesha Minor	x3063	dana.andrews@state.co.us	
Annester Taylor-Brown	x3061	Childecare Services	(303) 866-5958
<b>FOOD PROGRAMS</b>		Immunization Line	(303) 230-7178
A Childs Choice	(303) 627-9207	Medication Admin Hotline	(303) 379-1125
Kid's Nutrition Co.	(303) 987-4852	Colo. Dept of Health	(303) 692-2035
Wildwood	(303) 730-0460	Poison Control	(303) 739-1123
		Tri-County Health	(303) 280-0042

## Training Classes, Correspondence Courses, and Other

### Childcare Educational Opportunities

Classroom Courses held at 710 W 1st Avenue, Broomfield CO 80020

Registration and payment required in advance for all classroom courses. You may register online at: [www.childcareeducationalopportunities.com](http://www.childcareeducationalopportunities.com) or

Call Judy (303) 469-5596. You may view classroom and correspondence courses that are currently available online at the above listed web address.

Child Care Innovations at Red Rocks Community College (303) 914-6307 or online at [www.qualistar.org](http://www.qualistar.org)

Care Giver Network Dawn Rhodes (303) 690-7684

West Metro Fire Recue Susan (303) 989-4307 extension 537 CPR & First Aid Courses

Susan Bobka (303) 693-2762 Medications Administration, CPR and First Aid

Heart Smart [www.coheartsmart.com](http://www.coheartsmart.com) CPR and First Aid

Colorado Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Association (303) 980-1015 [www.cocprassn.com](http://www.cocprassn.com)

American Red-Cross Mile High Chapter (303) 722-7474 [www.denver-redcross.org](http://www.denver-redcross.org)

Tender Care Consulting Debbie Bradley (303) 359-9553 Medications Administration and Universal Precautions

City of Thornton (303) 538-7602 CPR

CPR Colorado Dave Moschner (303) 818-3737

Wildwood (800) 223-0557 [www.wildwoodkidstuff.com](http://www.wildwoodkidstuff.com)

CARE Courses (800) 685-7610 [www.carecourse.com](http://www.carecourse.com)

The Learning Bug Sue Cometto (303) 460-1954

*Basic Immunization for Childcare Providers in Colorado—FREE 2 hour course that can be taken every three years.*

[www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/Immunization/COURSETEST.pdf](http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/Immunization/COURSETEST.pdf)

**CAFCC**  
**Colorado Association of Family  
Child Care**  
**State Association**  
**www.coloradochildcare.com**

**Training Contact Information by  
County:**

**Adams:** Vicki (303) 284-6038

**Arapahoe:** Patty (303) 745-6558

**Boulder:** Sue (303) 668-8774

**Broomfield:** Cathy (303) 451-7453

**Denver:** Betty (303) 758-1289

**Douglas:** Shelley (303) 346-9779

**Jefferson:** Sheryl (303) 932-2750

If you would like information on an-  
other counties workshops, or any  
other information, please contact one  
of the above listed numbers.

~Attention New Providers ~

Child Care Innovations & Referral Partners

Start-up assistance is available for newly li-  
censed providers. For information please call

**(303) 914-6307**

**Newsletter Information**

**Newsletter Editor:** Jennifer Gustin

**Email:** [tgustin13@msn.com](mailto:tgustin13@msn.com)

**Phone:** (303) 255-2965

If there are any articles, recipes, or crafts  
that you would like to include in our bi-monthly  
newsletter, it would be wonderful to see ideas  
from other providers. Please let us know by  
the 10th of January, March, May, July, Sep-  
tember, and November, that way I can include  
it in the next months issue. Mail any articles  
to:

PO Box 1325 Eastlake, CO 80614 Attention:  
Newsletter

Medications Administration  
and Universal Precautions

**Saturday, April, 16<sup>th</sup>**

8am-2pm

Both \$45.00 (Good for 3 years)

Universal Precautions class \$20.00

Bagels, fruit and coffee in A.M. come early if  
you wish

Pre-registration required, By Phone

Deadline April. 14, 2010

At Rosemarie Regan's home,

(Vicinity of 112th and Colorado) in Thornton

Contact Rosemarie Regan for specifics, (303)  
280-9765.

Rosemarie Regan

11135 Clermont Dr.

Thornton, Co. 80233

**ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER?**

Are you an active member;  
 The kind who would be missed?  
 Or are you just contented  
 That your name is on the list?  
 Do you attend the meetings  
 And criticize and knock?  
 Do you take an active part  
 To help the work along?  
 Or are you just satisfied to be  
 The kind how just "belongs"?

Do you work on a committee  
 To see there is no trick,  
 Or leave the work to just a few  
 And talk about the clique?  
 Do you come to meetings often,  
 And help with hand and heart?  
 Don't just be a member;  
 But take an active part;  
 Think this is over, and remember;  
 You know right from wrong.

Are you an active member,  
 Or do you just belong?



**Tour of Homes!!!**

**This event has been CANCELLED due to the lack of interest.**

**Did you know?**

**Months that begin on a Sunday will always have a "Friday the 13th."**

**Some worms will eat themselves if they can't find any food!**

**A giraffe can clean its ears with its 21-inch tongue!**

**A cockroach can live several weeks with its head cut off!**

**Coca-Cola would be green if coloring weren't added to it.**



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UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS \$15  
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**SATURDAY MAY 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
CENTENNIAL

MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION \$40  
UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS \$15  
SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME \$10 (1 HR)

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email: [bmccormick@daycareprofessor.com](mailto:bmccormick@daycareprofessor.com)

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# Classifieds

As a member benefit you can post your ad on our website for free! Please send all adds to the newsletter editor for posting!

<u>Ad Pricing</u>					
<u>Non Member Pricing</u>			<u>Member Pricing</u>		
<u>Size</u>	<u>Per Issue</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Per Issue</u>	<u>Annual</u>
Business	\$25	\$100	2 line ad	\$3	\$100
1/4 Page	\$35	\$140	Business	\$12.50	\$50
1/2 Page	\$50	\$200	1/4 Page	\$17.50	\$70
Full Page	\$75	\$300	1/2 Page	\$25	\$100



Early Childhood Partnership of Adams County has grant money available for Adams County Licensed Family Childcare Providers

The ECPAC Office of Professional Development works with Adams County ECE providers to improve access to professional development opportunities and raise the quality of care for the children in our community.

Kim Bogren Owen  
Early Learning Initiatives Manager  
The Early Childhood Partnership of Adams County (ECPAC)  
(303) 853-1440

## Office Open for Election this Year:

First Vice President

Referral Reps:

Back-up Referrals are needed for

Several areas

Membership Coordinator

Publicity Coordinator

We need members to fill the above positions. If we do not have volunteers to fill these positions, our Association will not be able to have services in these areas. With No Publicity Coordinator we will be unable to do events that would bring in calls for the referral line.

Please if you can help in any of the following areas contact Melinda Immediately.

### **Spring Craft Idea:**

**Cut vase shapes from construction paper and line its edges with holes from a hole punch. Give the children yarn and have them lace the outside. Create flowers and stems from additional construction paper and have them assemble into a colorful spring bouquet.**

PBS KIDS will celebrate Earth Day with brand new episodes and special "Share the Earth" packaging for the week of April 18-22.

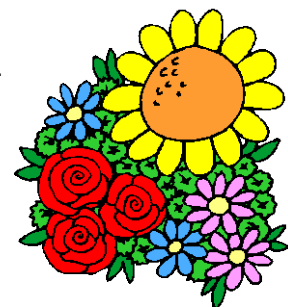
New programming for the month of April includes:

Weekdays at 1pm Sid the Science Kid: four new Earth-oriented episodes the week of Earth Day, April 18-21, focusing on clean water and air, recycling and animal habitats. In the habitat episode, Sid decides that his family should keep the stump in their backyard after learning how it serves as a home to several living creatures.

Weekdays at 11:30am Martha Speaks: new episodes on April 18 and 22. The Earth Day episode on the 22<sup>nd</sup> features a story about the local environmental club's "Go Green Go-Cart Race," fueled by alternative energy (sun, wind and... pond scum!).

Weekdays at 3:30pm Wild Kratts: Two episodes premiere on April 21 (city-dwelling peregrine falcons) and April 22 (the backyard acorn-stashing skills of blue jays and grey squirrels).

Weekdays at 4:30pm Arthur: On Earth Day, April 22, Arthur begins the first of five new episodes with a story about Buster learning how to keep the beach clean from an actual message in a bottle. This episode is also the first of five consecutive episodes that will feature the world travels of "El Boomerang," a soccer ball that makes its way around the globe as part of various characters' storylines. Four more Arthur episodes premiere the week of April 25-28 (each with "El Boomerang" appearing).



Adams County Association  
of Family Child Care  
PO Box 1325  
Eastlake, Colorado 80614-1325  
(303) 451-1061 Referral Line

**Check us out on the web!**

**[www.childcareinadamsco.org](http://www.childcareinadamsco.org)**

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