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FAMILY LEADERSHIP TEAM







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NURTURING NEWS



New Mexico's Early Childhood Education Department (ECECD)

Highlights

ECECD was established in 2019, by Gov. Lujan Grisham and the New Mexico Legislature and officially launched on July 1, 2020.

The Department's aim is to create a more cohesive, equitable, and effective early childhood system in New Mexico. That means coordinating a continuum of programs from prenatal to five—and ensuring that families in every corner of the state can access the services they need. This work is informed by New Mexico's **Birth-Five Needs Assessment** (Spanish version here) and the related Native American Perspectives report, which include feedback from thousands of New Mexicans. The Department also oversees child care programs and food and nutrition programs that serve older children and families.



WE GET IT AND IT'S OK

The holiday season can cause added stress and pressure for many families. Its okay to pause and take time for yourself to recharge and re-energize to maintain your own self-care and ultimately be a better parent during this special time of year.

Upcoming Events

Every Tuesday - Baby Time, 10 am, Silver City Public Library

Every Wednesday - Mercado Farmers' Market, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Santa Clara **Every Wednesday -** Story Time, Silver City Library, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Every Saturday - SC Farmers' Market, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (Next to Gough Park)

Every Saturday - Maker's Market, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm (Mainstreet Plaza, May 6th-October 28th)

Every Saturday - Oak Centre, Downtown S.C., 10:00 - 11:30 am

Fri, December 1st - Listening and Learning Tour Event, 11:00 am-2:00 pm, WNMU Global Resource Center

Fri, December 1st - Jingle & Mingle, 5:00 pm, WNMU Regents Square

Sat, December 2nd - Family Movie, 1:00-3:00 pm, Silver City Public Library

Sun, December 3rd - Christmas Extravaganza, 4:00 pm, WNMU Fine Arts

Sat, December 9th- Mariachi Christmas Spectacular, 7:00 pm, WNMU

Sat, December 16th-17th - Holiday Bizarre, 11:00 am-4:00 pm, Metal Misterium

Tues, December 19th - Family movie "Polar Express", 4:00 - 6:00 pm, Silver City Public

December 22nd-January 5th -Cobre **Schools Winter Break**

December 21st-January 5th -Silver Schools Winter Break

December 22nd-January 5th -Cliff **Schools Winter Break**

Fri, Decmeber 29th - Playing with Playdough "Squishy Circuits,", 4:00 - 5:00 pm, Sliver City Public Library

*Please note these are community events contact their organizers for more information

Please see our website for a list of events happening at childcare centers, schools, and our LINKS Partners programs! www.grantcountycpc.com

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POSITIVE PARENTING

Developmental Milestones (Toddlers)

Skills such as taking turns, playing makebelieve, and kicking a ball are called developmental milestones. Developmental milestones are things most children can do by a certain age. Children reach milestones in how they play learn, speak, behave, and move.

CPC Projects

CPC's Home-Grown Network for Childcare (HGNC) Meeting

CPC provided 20 toolkits to those Family Childcare Home Providers that have joined our newly consist of manipulatives for the for various age groups of children in

If you take care of children in your home and are eager to become a registered provider, check out our website at

www.grantcountycpc.com.