



Monthly Newsletter of LSU Early Head Start Child Care Partnership Program Volume 2 Issue 7

No Average April



National Autism Awareness Month

Beyond the April showers and May flowers, April is a marvelous month marked by Autism Awareness. Celebrated annually since the late 1990s, April promotes autism awareness, inclusion and self-determination for all, and assures that each person with ASD is provided the opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life. One of the most popular events within the month is the "Light It Up Blue" campaign. Promoted by the Autism Speaks advocacy organization, this particular event involves iconic landmarks around the globe including the Empire State Building, Willis Tower, as well as airports, bridges, museums, concert halls, restaurants, hospitals and retail stores being lit with blue lights to show their support of autism awareness. Not only is the support seen through the community, but many members take to social media and discuss what autism means to them and how we can be more proactive to bringing about awareness to the cause and its wonderful people.

EHS Meetings & Closures

Clara's Little Lambs

Parent Committee Meeting: Apr. 27th at 4 PM

Kid's Kingdom

Parent Committee Meeting: Apr. 26th at 5 PM Closed: Apr. 14th | Early Dismissal: Apr. 21st

McMillian's First Steps

Parent Committee Meeting: Apr. 19th at 4:30 PM Early Dismissal: Apr. 5th | Closure: Apr. 14th

Toddler's University

Parent Committee Meeting: Apr. 19th at 4:15 PM

April 2017 Calendar

1st – April Fool's Day 2nd – International Children's Day 7th – World Health Day 9th – Palm Sunday 15th – National Tax Day 16th – Easter Sunday 22nd – Earth Day April 28th – Arbor Day

Education Nation

As parents and caretakers, we understand the challenges of raising a family and furthering your education. Life doesn't always allow us the opportunity to do both. However, with the expansion of online and part-time classrooms, now may be the perfect time to go back to school! Here are a few local programs that may offer you the chance to go and earn that certification or degree you deserve:

> Delgado Community College (Technical Degrees/Certifications) – Visit http://www.dcc.edu/academics/technical/

Loyola University New Orleans (Adult Part-Time Students) - Visit http://gps.loyno.edu/evening Tulane School of Continuing Studies – Visit http://scs.tulane.edu Stevenson Academy of Hair Design – Visit http://Stevenson-Academy.com

For more information about financing your education visit studentloans.gov or fastweb.com





SPOTLIGHT EMPLOYMENT

Patient Coordinator/Receptionist

Full-Time South Rivage Dental Metairie, LA Apply at Indeed.com

Retail Customers Service Representative

Full-Time
FedEx Delivery Service
New Orleans, LA
Apply at https://careers.fedex.com

Mail Handler Assistant

Part-Time
United States Postal Service
New Orleans, LA
Apply at http://usps.com/employment

Administrative Assistant

Full-Time
New Orleans East Hospital
New Orleans, LA
Apply at https://pm.healthcaresource.com/CS

Front Office Clerk

Full-Time
West Jefferson Hospital
Marrero, LA
Apply at https://pm.healthcaresource.com/CS

Store Seasonal Employee

Part-Time/Full-Time Lowe's Home Improvement Varies Locations Apply at http://jobs.lowes.com



Do you qualify for the **Child Care Assistance Program**? Want to find out? You can contact our ERSEA specialist, Ms. Raynell, at (504) 556-7535 or at rwas11@lsuhsc.edu. We look forward to hearing from you!

ATTENTION: NEW Eligibility Requirements

- 1.) Are you responsible for paying child care costs for a child under 13 or a child under 18 with a disability who lives with you?
- 2.) Does every adult in your household work or attend school or a training program for at least 20 hr. /wk.?
- 3.) Is your household's total monthly gross earned and unearned income less than the amount listed below for your household size?

2 PERSONS **3 PERSONS** 4 PERSONS 7 PERSONS 8 PERSONS **5 PERSONS** 6 PERSONS 9 PERSONS \$2,150 \$2,656 \$3,162 \$3,668 \$4,173 \$4,268 \$4,363 \$4,458

You may qualify. Visit <u>LouisianaBelieves.com</u> for more information about the CCAP Eligibility Process.

Home is Where the Heart Is Being a first-time home buyer can be a very exciting but confusing time.

To make the process a bit smoother, several insurance agencies and housing organizations have come together to offer classes to our homeseeking families. If you or someone you know is looking to buy a home in the near future, let them know about the Family Resources of New Orleans Home Buyer Workshops. Here individuals will learn the ins and outs of the real estate market and know exactly what to look for when purchasing a home. For more information about these classes and the organization, please visit http://familyresourcesofno.org

