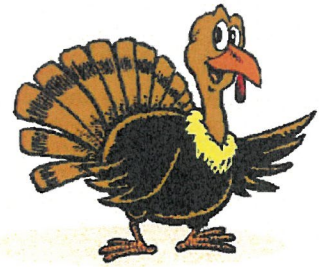


Aitkin Children's Center

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225 2nd Ave SW, Aitkin, MN 56431



Changes within the Center:

The Aitkin Children's Center in has had a lot of changes this year. Our Jakes (4's) Classrooms have moved out to Rippleside. Ms. Waschek's classroom is the old Kids Club room. Mrs. V's classroom was formerly known as Mrs. Sundholm's room. Mrs. Cain has joined us as an Early Childhood Special Ed. teacher working with our Jakes. Ms. Orpin has joined our team as our Junior Jakes (3's) teacher. The Junior Jakes classroom is located in the Children's Center along with Kids Club. Whew... that is a lot but there's more... Preschoolers who attend classes can also attend Kids Club on the days they do not have school soooo this means they could come to the Center 5 days a week!

This is all very new and exciting. Please bare with us as we navigate all these changes.

September Dates to Remember:

- No School Wed. Sept. 25th
- No School Thursday.. Sept. 26th
- Early Childhood Screening Wed. Sept. 25th
- Early Childhood Screening Thurs. Sept. 26th

Early Childhood

Screening:

The Aitkin Children's Center in partnership with Head Start and Aitkin County Public Health will be holding the first of two annual Early Childhood Screenings on



Wednesday, September 25th from 10-6 pm and Thursday, September 26th from

8am-1pm. Screening is a free and simple check of how your child is growing, developing, and learning. Screening at 3 years of age is preferred. Law also



requires that children participate in screening within 90 days of

enrollment in a preschool program. If you child has not participated in screening, make your appointment today by calling 927-7735.

WANTED:

Parent Advisory Council

Members: The Aitkin Children's Center has a parent advisory council that meets monthly. This council is comprised of center staff, parents, a school board representative, and other community members. The council exists to provide feedback to enhance and improve programming at the Center. If you are interested in learning about this volunteer opportunity, contact Lara Parkin at 927-7736.



Four Star Parent

Aware Rating:

The Aitkin Children's Center is proud to announce that it continues to have a Four Star Parent Aware rating. This is the highest rating possible in the state of Minnesota. Star ratings help parents measure best practices identified by research that help children succeed. This rating also allows parents to access a wide variety of Early Learning Scholarships to defray the cost of preschool. If you are interested in learning more about how your family can qualify for an early learning scholarship, please speak with our Center Secretary.