

# Aitkin Children's Center



## Summer Bulletin



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**Aitkin Public School/ISD #1**

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**Aitkin Children's Center Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

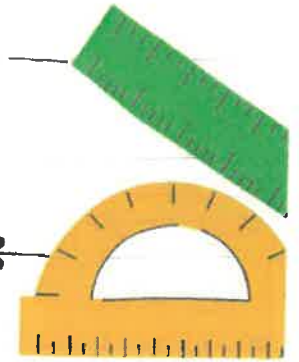
August 15th- May 31st



Parent  
Aware 



## Top Reasons to Choose Aitkin Children's Center:



- Children become familiar with the school building (gym, lunch room, hallway) prior to entering kindergarten
- Children will make friends that they will move onto kindergarten with
- All teachers possess a Bachelor's Degree in Education & a Minnesota Teaching License
- Children have an entire class of peers that are their same age
- Children can access Free and Reduced Breakfast and Lunch Programs, busing for Jakes Preschoolers, and other support services such as speech and other therapies
- Preschool staff collaborate with Kindergarten teachers to ensure skills taught are aligned with Kindergarten entrance skills



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# Preschool 2023-2024



Registration  
Opens May 5th  
@ 7:00pm

Junior Jakes (3's) Preschool

## Junior Jakes (3's)

Children need to be 3 on or before Sept. 1st

At the Aitkin Children's Center, children will discover a welcoming, safe and fun environment designed to create excitement for school and learning. Large and small group activities emphasize social emotional development as well as pre-academics. Parents can choose from one half-day or two half-day per week options, mornings or afternoons.

### Class Options:

Monday AM	Sept 13 - May 20	8:05 - 10:55	\$240-\$340
Wed/Fri AM	Sept 13 - May 22	8:05 - 10:55	\$430-\$630
Mon/Wed PM	Sept 13 - May 22	12:05 - 2:55	\$430-\$630

Early Learning  
Scholarships  
Available for those  
who qualify for  
free/reduced meals

Register ONLINE at Aitkin Public Schools under Community Education or if you have any questions call 218-927-7735





# Preschool 2023-2024



Jakes (4's) Preschool

## **Jakes (4's)** Children need to be 4 on or before Sept. 1st

In Jakes Preschool, highly educated and nurturing staff plan large and small group experiences that combine learning with play. Children build confidence, independence, and other valuable social & emotional skills while working on math and reading readiness that will help prepare them for kindergarten. Parents can choose from half days as well as all day options.

### **Class Options:**

Tues/Thurs All Day	Sept 12 - May 23	8:05 - 2:55	\$860-\$1260
Tues/Thurs All Day	Sept 12 - May 23	8:05 - 2:55	\$860-\$1260
Mon/Wed/Fri AM	Sept 11 - May 24	8:05 - 10:55	\$620-\$920
Mon/Wed PM	Sept 11 - May 22	12:05 - 2:55	\$430-\$630

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# Early Childhood Family Education (E.C.F.E.)



## Mid-Day Movers & Night Owls

(Designed for parents & children 2yrs - pre kindergarten age, siblings welcome)

In this multi-age, separating class, parents and children engage in crafts & games, a short circle time, and snack together. Then, parents and children separate. Parent conversations are led by a parent educator in a different room while children engage in structured play with Center Staff.

Tuesdays | Oct. 3 - Dec. 19 | 9:30 - 11:45am Mid-Day Movers

Tuesdays | Oct. 3 - Dec. 19 | 5:00 - 6:45pm Night Owls

Registration opens August 1st

No one will be turned away for an inability to pay

Register ONLINE [home.isdl.org/community-education.html](http://home.isdl.org/community-education.html) or by calling 218-927-7735

E.C.F.E



# Family, Friends, & Neighbors Play and Learn

Who are Family, Friends, and Neighbor (FFN) Caregivers?

They are a large and important group of Minnesotans who provide childcare for the children of family members, friends, or neighbors on a regular basis.

Are you or someone you know a FFN Caregiver?? Then this event is for you!

Come to the Aitkin Children's Center for an Open-House style Play and Learn with the children you care for. We will have toys, crafts, and activities ready for them to explore, as well as valuable information for the Caregivers to take home. The first 10 Caregivers to register for each event will receive a gift bag valued at over \$50. This program is grant-funded and completely FREE!



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**FAMILY, FRIENDS, & NEIGHBORS**  
**PLAY & LEARNS 3:30 - 5:00PM**

- September: All About me  
Thursday Sept. 28th
- October: Fire Safety  
Tuesday Oct. 24th
- November: Community Helpers  
Thursday Nov. 16th
- December: Winter Animals  
Tuesday Dec. 19th

Location: Aitkin Children's Center  
225 2nd Ave SW, Aitkin MN 56431



**FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT**  
BIRTH TO PRE-KINDERGARTEN AGE (SIBLINGS WELCOME)  
CRAFTS, TREATS, MUSIC, AND MORE!!

October 26, 2023 5:00 - 6:15pm  
Rippleside Cafeteria/Gym  
Don't forget to wear your costumes!!



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# Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)

The Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) program provides specialized services for children age birth to seven, who have been found eligible and are in need of specially designed instruction. Services available through the ECSE program include comprehensive assessment, consultation to families and childcare providers, direct services in the area(s) of need and/or resource provision.

Information



## Refer a New Family



Do you know someone who is new to town that has younger children? A new family at church? At the park? Refer them to the Aitkin Children's Center. By calling the Children's Center office at 218-927-7735, new families can insure that they are added to the schools database. By doing so, families will be made aware of early childhood programming and events such as early childhood screening and kindergarten registration.





# Women, Infants & Children Nutrition Program

Aitkin County WIC

927-7201

You already qualify for WIC if you participate in the following programs:

- MnCare or Medical Assistance
- Head Start
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP)
- Reduced or Free School Lunch Program
- Energy Assistance



## **Clinic Locations & Dates:**

- Aitkin: Every 1st consecutive Tuesday & Wednesday  
Hill City: Every 3rd Tuesday @ Assembly of God Church (downtown)  
Malmo: Every 3rd Wednesday @ Bethesda Lutheran Church  
McGregor: Every 3rd Thursday @ the M.O.R.E. Building

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## Help Me Grow - When Parents Know, Children Grow

Help Me Grow ([helpmegrowmn.org](http://helpmegrowmn.org)) is Minnesota's system for connecting children and families with early intervention professionals in the child's school district. Within a school district there are experts in the area of communication, cognition, social-emotional skills, self help skills, and motor skills. The website also provides a means for referring a child whom you may have concerns about. Referrals are as easy as 1, 2, 3.



# Lakes and Pines Head Start

We are a NO COST Early Childhood and School Readiness Program that provides support to parents in their roles as their child's teacher. In the Aitkin Area we offer a Home Based Program which includes a 1 ½ hour home visit one time per week and monthly socialization opportunities to promote all areas of learning

Head Start offers In-Home or Virtual Visits for Families. Head Start is now taking applications ages birth to 5 and expectant mothers. Call for more details 320-679-1800 ext. 144 or 800-832-6082 ext. 144

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## We Rally Around Parents

**Do you live in Aitkin County?**

**Do you have a child who is 0-5 or in K-2?**

**Could you use support getting in touch with resources?**

**Could you use help to reduce the stress in your life?**

If you answered yes to these questions, the WRAP program is here to help support you and your family! Janet Watson, Resource Coach can assist in connecting you with resources that can help with navigating many barriers or transitions. Contact Janet by phone at 320-364-3344, or email [janetw@lakesandpines.org](mailto:janetw@lakesandpines.org).

Lakes and Pines CAC, Inc. in Partnership with Aitkin County Health and Human Services.



# Setting Up or Updating Your Account with Community Education

Eleyo is the convenient, mobile-friendly, online tool to register and manage your child's registration at the Aitkin Children's Center or for Community Education classes. Below are steps for creating your family account profile in anticipation of upcoming registration:

## Create your Account Profile

1. Browse to the website: <https://isd1.ce.eleyo.com>
2. Create your profile by selecting **Sign In** (top, right corner).
3. To create a new profile, log in with Facebook or Google  
-or-  
select **Create One Now**.

1. When creating an account within the system, you will be required to enter your basic contact information including an email address (used for logging in) and a password. If your email address is recognized, use the Send Forgot Password Email to receive a password set email.

2. Select **Manage All Relationships** to add family members and emergency contacts.

An email will be sent from **Eleyo** with a link to verify your account. Use the **Verify Your Email Address** button on that email to verify your account.



### Sign In



OR

Email Address

Next

Don't have an account?

[Create one now](#)

**See inside!!!**

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Enrollment Information**