

Child Care Connection

MSDH Child Care Licensure Bureau

September 2024

“Bridging the gap between Child Care Providers and MSDH Child Care Licensure Bureau in order to provide a safe and healthy environment for Mississippian children and families.”

Hello SEPTEMBER

Happy September, Providers!

Summer is coming to an end and fall is headed our way. Which means you all are getting ready to make plans to take the children on fall trips. As you plan for field trips, we would like to remind you of the rules and regulations that pertain to field trips and safety for the children. Please take a moment to review them and share them with you staff so that everyone is familiar with the rules and regulations. We hope that you all enjoy your field trips and be safe. Happy Fall!

Subchapter 6: Records

Rule 1.6.7 Child Records:

3. Authorizations: Election by parent either (a) to provide written authorization consenting to any and all field trips, excursions, or series of events outside the child care facility, or (b) to provide written consent only for those specific field trips, excursions, or series of events for which a date, time and location are specifically approved.

Subchapter 8: Staffing

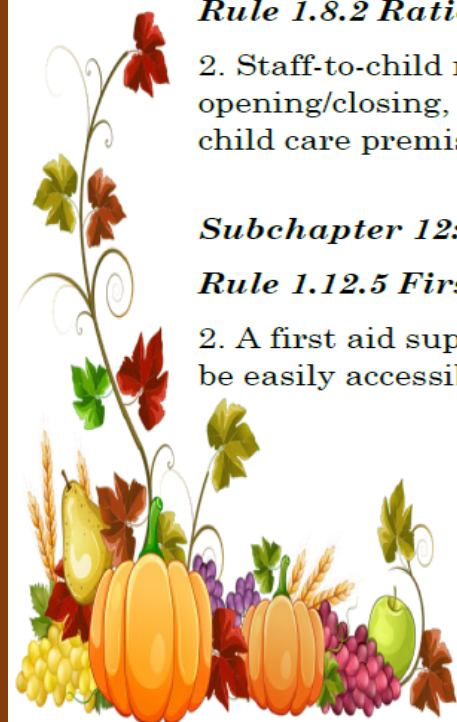
Rule 1.8.2 Ratio:

2. Staff-to-child ratios shall be met at all times, including during opening/closing, field trips and swimming or water activities whether at the child care premises or off-site.

Subchapter 12: Health, Hygiene, and Safety

Rule 1.12.5 First Aid Supply:

2. A first aid supply shall be taken on all field trips and excursions and shall be easily accessible to employees, but not in reach of the children.



September Trainings

Date	Time	Training Topic	Location	Trainer
September 4 th	9am-12pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Lake Cormorant, MS	J. Dockery
September 4 th	1pm-4pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Lake Cormorant, MS	J. Dockery
September 5 th	9am-12pm	Directors Orientation	Lake Cormorant, MS	J. Dockery
September 5 th	1pm-4pm	Playground Safety	Lake Cormorant, MS	J. Dockery
September 7 th	10am-1pm	CCDF Health & Safety	Horn Lake, MS	J. Dockery
September 10 th	9:30am-12:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Booneville, MS	J. Dockery
September 10 th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Booneville, MS	J. Dockery
September 11 th	9:30am-12:30pm	Directors Orientation	Booneville, MS	J. Dockery
September 11 th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Playground Safety	Booneville, MS	J. Dockery
September 12 th	9:30am-12:30pm	Infant & Toddler Regulations & Safety	Booneville, MS	J. Dockery
September 12 th	1:30pm-4:30pm	CCDF Health & Safety	Booneville, MS	J. Dockery
September 16 th	12noon-3pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Hernando, MS	J. Dockery
September 16 th	4pm-7pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Hernando, MS	J. Dockery
September 17 th	12noon-3pm	Directors Orientation	Hernando, MS	J. Dockery
September 17 th	4pm-7pm	Playground Safety	Hernando, MS	J. Dockery
September 18 th	1pm-4pm	CCDF Health & Safety	Hernando, MS	J. Dockery
September 3 rd	PRIVATE	Communicable Disease	Gulfport, MS	S. Smith
September 4 th	9:00am-12:00pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Gulfport, MS	S. Smith
September 4 th	12:00pm-3:00pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Gulfport, MS	S. Smith
September 5 th	9:00am-12:00pm	Playground Safety	Gulfport, MS	S. Smith
September 5 th	12:00pm-3:00pm	Directors Orientation	Gulfport, MS	S. Smith
September 5 th	3:00pm -6:00pm	CCDF Health & Safety	Gulfport, MS	S. Smith
September 11 th	8:30am-11:30am	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Flowood, MS	S. Smith
September 11 th	11:30am-2:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Flowood, MS	S. Smith
September 11 th	2:30pm-5:30pm	Playground Safety	Flowood, MS	S. Smith
September 11 th	5:30pm-8:30pm	Directors Orientation	Flowood, MS	S. Smith

September 16th	Private	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Madison, MS	S. Smith
September 17th	Private	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Madison, MS	S. Smith
September 23rd	TBA	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Meridian, MS	S. Smith
September 23rd	TBA	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Meridian, MS	S. Smith
September 24th	TBA	Playground Safety	Meridian, MS	S. Smith
September 24th	TBA	Directors Orientation	Meridian, MS	S. Smith
September 3rd	9:30am-12:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Yazoo, MS	M. Jordan
September 3rd	1:30pm-4:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Yazoo, MS	M. Jordan
September 4th	9:30am-12:30pm	Director's Orientation	Yazoo, MS	M. Jordan
September 4th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Playground Safety	Yazoo, MS	M. Jordan
September 5th	9:30am-12:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Clarksdale, MS	M. Jordan
September 5th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Clarksdale, MS	M. Jordan
September 6th	9:30am-12:30pm	Director's Orientation	Clarksdale, MS	M. Jordan
September 6th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Playground Safety	Clarksdale, MS	M. Jordan
September 10th	9:30am-12:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan
September 10th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan
September 11th	9:30am-12:30pm	Director's Orientation	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan
September 11th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Playground Safety	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan
September 12th	5:00pm-7:00pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan
September 13th	9:30am-12:30pm	CCDF Health & Safety	Cleveland, MS	M. Jordan
September 14th	8:30 am-11:30am	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan

September 17 th	9:30am-12:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 1	Durant, MS	M. Jordan
September 17 th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Child Care Regulations Part 2	Durant, MS	M. Jordan
September 18 th	9:30am-12:30pm	Director's Orientation	Durant, MS	M. Jordan
September 18 th	1:30pm-4:30pm	Playground Safety	Durant, MS	M. Jordan
September 20 th	9:30am-12:30pm	CCDF Health & Safety	Greenwood, MS	M. Jordan
September 24 th	5:00 p.m.-7:00p.m.	Infant & Toddler Regulations	Cleveland, MS	M. Jordan
September 17 th	9am-12pm	Nutrition & Menu Writing	Brandon, MS	J. Smith
September 17 th	1pm-4pm	Nutrition & Menu Writing	Brandon, MS	J. Smith

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Save the Date

SEPTEMBER 10

• REGISTRATION 9AM • SUMMIT 10AM TO 2PM

SPEAKER

ERIN RAMSEY

LOCATION

EAGLE RIDGE CONFERENCE CENTER,
1500 RAYMOND LAKE ROAD, RAYMOND, MS 39154

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EB5 SUMMIT 2024

Healthy CORNER



You know how sometimes it's really, really hard to sit still?

When you're young, your body **wants** to move — naturally!
(Adults, not so much.)

YEP.



So get active every day — and feel great!

Moving more can you give you a boost — in lots of ways.

SUCH ENERGY!

SO SELF-CONFIDENT!

VERY RELAXED!

AMAZING GRADES!*



* It's true — physical activity can actually help you do better in school.

How much activity do I need?

If you're between age 6 and 17, you need at least **60 minutes** of activity each and every day.



So, what kind of activity do I need?



Get a mix of activity. Do things that:



Strengthen
your bones



Build your
muscles



Make your heart
beat faster



Um, strengthen
my bones?

Sounds weird, right? But bones need pressure to get stronger. So hit the ground running! Jump, sprint, or do a cartwheel.

60 minutes all at once? I'm pretty busy.



Not a problem! Split up your 60 minutes over the day however you want — it all adds up!



Before school

Walk to school or the bus stop!
Dance around the living room!



At recess

Play tag with your friends!
Swing on the monkey bars!



After school

Walk your dog!
Go to basketball practice!

So get moving! Do activities you enjoy!

Be a good role model for your parents. Even better, go home and get them moving, too.

Walk. Run. Dance. Play. What's **your** move?



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Conference Registration Now Open!!



**Clyde Muse Center
515 Country Place Pkwy
Pearl, MS**

Early Bird Registration Ends August 15, 2024

Regular Registration Ends October 4, 2024

To register using a link:

*click
here!*



You can opt out of supporting the Zeffy platform by selecting the option to pay only for the conference fee.



Early Childhood Regional Saturdays

The MDE Office of Early Childhood will hold five Regional Saturday trainings for all early childhood educators (child care, Head Start, public and private schools). All sessions will include general education, special education, techniques for teaching English language learners, developmentally appropriate practices, and trauma/mental health.

REGISTER

[CLICK HERE](#)

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Contact Hours: Five (5)

Event Dates

JULY 20

Cleveland, MS - Delta State University- E.R Jobe Hall

JULY 27

Jackson, MS - Jackson Convention Complex

AUGUST 10

Hattiesburg, MS - University of Southern Mississippi Thad Cochran Center

AUGUST 24

Meridian, MS - Riley Center

SEPTEMBER 14

Oxford, MS - Oxford Conference Center



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EDUCATION

Questions?

Please call 601.359.2932

earlychildhoodtrainings@mdek12.org

MS DIRECTOR'S CREDENTIAL RENEWAL

Dates & Locations

Sept 5	Hattiesburg
Sept 9	Meridian
Sept 12	Batesville
Sept 14	Vicksburg
Sept 18	D'iberville
Sept 23	Hernando
Oct 12	Olive Branch
Oct 15	Tupelo
Oct 17	Natchez
Oct 17	West Point
Oct 18	Indianola

All trainings are in-person.



[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

**6 CONTACT
HOURS**

Confirmation of enrollment will be sent via email. Monitor your email for additional information regarding training details.

Renewal Eligibility:

- Previously completed the MS Director's Credential (9-Module) course
- Credential has expired or will expire in 2024
- Have a copy of your original credential certificate or most recent renewal certificate

 Email questions to Director@mdhs.ms.gov



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KEEPING MS BEGINNINGS COOL & CONSISTENT

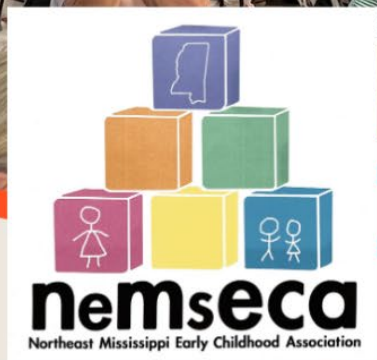
This in-person training will be beneficial to those that have been implementing the MS Beginning Pre-K curriculum for at least one year. This training will be Part 1 of a series focused on the fidelity tool that includes read alouds, learning centers, and small group. These trainings are available to all early learning public private, and Head Start administrators, principals, district leaders, directors, teachers, and assistand teachers of pre-kindergarten. SEMIs and contact hours will be offered at no coast and CEUs will be available for a small fee.

- ✓ September 17, 2024 - 8:30am - 4:00pm
Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge Road, Tupelo, MS
- ✓ September 25, 2024 - 8:30am- 4:00pm
Rankin Co. School District Central Office, 1220 Apple Park Pl, Brandon, MS
- ✓ September 26, 2024 - 8:30am - 4:00pm
Oxford Early Childhood Ctr, 1637 Hwy 30E, Oxford, MS
- ✓ October 1, 2024 - 8:30am - 4:00pm
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Registration is on a first-come-first-serve basis at <https://gsms.mdek12.org/public/course/browse>. Contact earlychildhoodtrainings@mdek12.org if there are questions regarding registration.



TEAM EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE 2024

Constructing a Great Future!

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2024
8 AM - 3 PM
6 CONTACT HOURS!**

Join us for a day full of learning and networking with other early childhood professionals. Our conference will feature engaging workshops, inspiring speakers, and valuable resources to enhance your work with young children. Whether you're a teacher, caregiver, or parent, this event is perfect for anyone passionate about early childhood education. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your knowledge and skills!

Register Here Today!



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LISA MADDOX-VINSON**
LISA IS FAMOUS FOR SNAP, CLAP, WIGGLE, AND GIGGLE, A RECORDING FULL OF SONGS TO ENHANCE ANY EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASSROOM.
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SESSIONS AND TRACTS FOR:

- Preschool and Pre-K
- Infants and Toddlers
- Directors and Leaders
- Nature and Much More!

nemseca.pac@gmail.com

Or at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-team-early-childhood-conference-tickets-929337311917>

Hernando Farmers Market

Saturdays 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

April 20 - October 26

(Except May 18 & Sep 28)

Christmas Farmers Market November 9th from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

2535 Highway 51 South, Hernando, MS 38632

The Hernando Farmers Market is located on the quaint historic Town Square and is open each Saturday from May through the end of October. The market features locally grown fruits and vegetables as well as fresh local milk, pork, pasture-raised eggs, local honey, canned and preserved items, knife sharpening, nursery plants, baked goods, cut flowers, herbs, fresh salsa and guacamole, and homemade crafts.

Throughout the season, enjoy live music, free fitness classes and special events that will take place during market hours. The Children's Day Power of Produce (POP) program held the last Saturday of each month and Senior Days are a monthly occurrence. As a Mississippi Certified Market, designated by the Department of Agriculture and Commerce, you can be assured of fresh local food and products.

Credit cards and SNAP/EBT can be redeemed at the farmers market table for tokens to be used at vendor booths. Thanks to a grant from the **Double Up Food Bucks Mississippi** program SNAP recipients receive additional tokens for free fruits and vegetables.

How does Double Up Food Bucks work?

For every \$1 you spend on fruits and vegetables with SNAP benefits, you'll get an additional \$1 to spend on your produce purchase, up to \$20 per transaction.

For more information about Double Up Bucks, WIC & Senior Vouchers, and Children's POP bucks contact gmatheny@cityofhernando.org or 662-449-9127.



FARMER'S MARKET

PUMPKIN GROWING CONTEST

YOUTH DIVISIONS:
Largest Pumpkin
Smallest Pumpkin
Prettiest Pumpkin (Natural)

ADULT DIVISION:
Largest Pumpkin

October 26, 2024
Hernando Farmer's Market
2535 Highway 51 South,
Hernando, MS 38632



EXTENSION

FOR QUESTIONS AND REGISTRATION
CALL: 662-469-8480

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