



Apple Blossom Day Homes

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I think it's safe to say that winter is behind us! With the gorgeous weather that is to come, we would like to remind parents to please supply sunscreen and bug spray each day that your child attends their day home. Proper attire for the day's weather is also requested. This may include rubber boots, raincoats, and/or hats.

Last month we introduced the Early Learning Curriculum Framework. If you would like additional information,, you can view the entire framework at <http://childcareframework.com/resources/Play,%20Participation,%20and%20Possibilities%20-%20An%20Early%20Learning%20and%20Child%20Care%20Curriculum%20Framework%20for%20Alberta.pdf> section 1.

This month we would like to briefly touch on one of the core concepts: **Image of the Child: A Mighty Learner and Citizen.** The Alberta framework for early learning and childcare views the child as a mighty learning and citizen – strong, resourceful, and capable. This image affirms each child's right to be listened to, to be treated with respect, and to participate in daily decisions that affect him or her. This understanding shifts the intention of our interactions from "doing to" a child toward "participating with" each child.

Within the framework, we have identified **playing, seeking, participating, persisting, and caring** as important dispositions to nurture in young children for their learning and **citizenship.** When you adopt a strong, resourceful, capable image of the child you respond to children's dispositions to learn within children's everyday play and social interactions.

Policy Input

This month, the policy we are asking for your input on is from your General Agreement Parent Responsibilities # 23 "Parents are aware that they will be contacted by the Agency Coordinator, in the event of an emergency"

Please give us your opinion by: calling the office, e-mailing us at www.appleblossomdayhomes.com, or mailing it to Box 20042 KPO, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8M4

We appreciate the time you take to give us your input.



STAT Holidays

STAT holidays for your day home include Monday, May 22, 2017 for Victoria Day. If your day home chooses to remain open on these days, please note that there will be an additional hourly charge of \$6.25 on top of your regular child care fees.

Points of Interest

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