

SALIDA EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2023

EVENTS AND REMINDERS

- **MARCH 1ST**- PAJAMA DAY/READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY!
- **MARCH 8 & 9**, SECC CLOSED FOR HOME VISITS!
- **MARCH 17-26** SPRING BREAK, SECC WILL BE CLOSED!! CLASSES RESUME ON MONDAY, MARCH 27TH
- **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION** WILL BEGIN NEXT MONTH. SECC PARENTS WILL COMPLETE ENROLLMENT PAPERWORK. PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR KINDERGARTEN, STUDENTS MUST BE 5 YEARS OLD BEFORE AUGUST 1ST.



MEET OUR AMERICORPS VOLUNTEERS!!

Jack and Makayla are placed with the Salida Early Childhood Center throughout the end of the school year! We asked each one to share a fun fact with us.

Jack: I know how to juggle and I like to skateboard!

Makayla: I enjoy baking!

They will be in all the classrooms. Talk to your children about meeting these amazing volunteers!

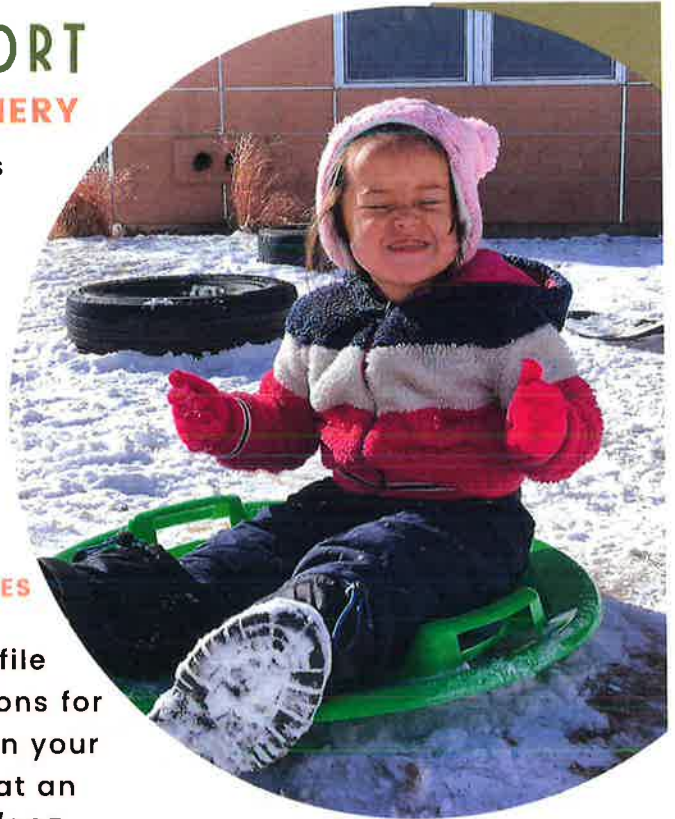


FOOD SUPPORT

THE GRAINERY

*"Grace means
that all of your
mistakes now
serve a purpose
instead of serving
shame"*
~ Brene Brown

- Open Mondays and Fridays
10am-4pm
- Produce including eggs
and butter
- Special Easter food items
will be available the 2
weeks before Easter.



TAX RESOURCES



**TAX CREDITS
SUPPORT HEALTHIER
CHILDREN, FAMILIES,
AND COMMUNITIES**

REMEMBER TO FILE YOUR TAXES BEFORE APRIL 18TH, 2023

Get cash back when you file
your taxes. Find free options for
filing your taxes online, on your
smartphone, or get help at an
in-person Colorado VITA/TCE
site. Get started at
GetAheadColorado.org.



**Don't forget to like and follow our SECC Facebook page! Use the QR code
to check it out!!**

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

March is a busy month at the SECC! We have a lot going on. Home visits will be conducted on March 8th and 9th. This is a great opportunity for your family to connect with your child's teacher. Home visits are also a requirement of our funding and an integral part of our curriculum. We will be closed those two days so that our staff can complete these visits. Many of our staff are attending the Rocky Mountain Early Childhood Conference. This is a chance for our teaching staff to learn new ideas and talk with other teachers from all over the state. We will have pajama day for Dr. Seuss' Birthday. All the office staff will put on funny hats and read to the children. The Cheyenne Mountain Zoo will be visiting with some of their portable animals. It is always fun and something new and exciting for our classrooms. There are several postings for new jobs at the SECC. We will be hiring an Assistant Coordinator to replace Theresa as she takes my job. The School Board has approved moving our toddler teachers to the certified teacher schedule. This is a significant raise and will require a Colorado State Teaching License. These jobs will be posted soon. We have several toddler teachers that meet these qualifications that will apply for these positions. We are still looking to hire a kitchen manager for this year. We always need dependable substitutes. If you are interested in any of these positions, please check out the school website; www.salidaschools.com.





Presents...

RAISING CHILDREN

Made Easier



Conscious Discipline

VIRTUAL PARENT NIGHT

with Amy Speidel

THURSDAY, Mar. 9, 2023

Virtual Training 7:00pm - 8:30pm

So Many Social Skills to Learn!

It takes time to build a healthy relationship, but the time it takes is well worth the outcome of a child prepared for engagement with others as well as the ability to problem solve in social settings.

Please send in your questions or share what's on your mind during the session.



Scan QR Code to register or follow link:

<https://forms.gle/mioo5cMsJWSakqkC6>

Please register by 3/8/23 by noon

At the request of the presenter, registration will be capped at 40 people. Residents of Chaffee County and the state of Colorado will be prioritized. Zoom link will be sent to registrants the day of the event.

The Chaffee County Early Childhood Council is dedicated to meeting the needs of young children and families, prenatal through age 8, and those who serve them. For more information, like us on Facebook, visit www.ccecc.org or call 719-221-5114.



HERE TO HELP YOU GET AHEAD

Whether it's tax credits, free tax filing services, or free in-person tax help, Get Ahead Colorado is here to help you get the most out of your taxes.

- Get the Child Tax Credit or the Earned Income Tax Credit to put extra money back in your pocket.
- Find free, in-person tax help in your area.
- File your tax return online or on your smartphone for free.



Get started at www.GetAheadColorado.org



WHEN PARENTS WERE ASKED WHAT THE
BEST PART OF THE SALIDA EARLY
CHILDHOOD CENTER WAS...



A big THANK YOU to all the families who took
time to complete the 22/23 family survey!



**FREE basic medical, dental
& harm-reduction services.**



Healthcare System
Navigation



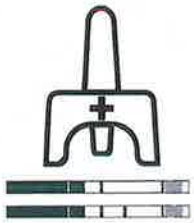
Recovery Medication
for Substance Use



Sterile Syringe
Exchange



Vaccinations



Overdose Prevention
Medication



Sexually Transmitted
Infection (STI) Testing



Dental Health



Behavioral Health
Assistance

*Chaffee Community Clinic values all humans
& will provide a safe & judgment-free space.*

No emergency care provided. Not a doctor's office.
No ID required. No appointment necessary.

Chaffee Community Clinic is on the move - look for us!

MONDAYS

Methodist Church Salida
228 East Fourth Street,
Salida
Noon-4:00 pm

TUESDAYS

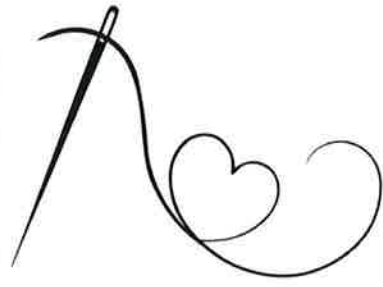
Community Center
715 East Main Street,
Buena Vista
1:00-4:00 pm

Scan here



Questions? Call 719-539-4510

Mend-It Mondays



[Third Monday of Every Month]

Want to get more use out of your clothing, but don't have the skills or equipment to repair them?

Bring your items to Mend-It Monday and we'll see what we can do to give your clothes new life!

Methodist Church basement

**228 E. Fourth Street
(enter from parking lot)**

1:00-3:00 pm

**~ Clothing must be clean ~
Same day repairs only!
(No zipper repair or work on
leather accepted)**



Even if you don't see yourself as a fashionista, consider this: The fashion industry — all the phases responsible for getting us dressed each day — creates more CO2 emissions than international flights and maritime shipping combined. Repair and Reuse!



