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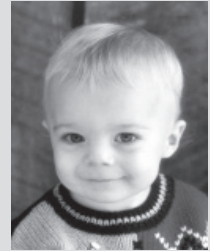
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**THE CHILD CARE PROFESSIONAL** is published monthly by Training & Technical Assistance Services and the Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) at Western Kentucky University. The CCR&R at WKU serves the Barren River Area Development District of Kentucky which includes Allen, Barren, Butler, Edmonson, Hart, Logan, Metcalfe, Monroe, Simpson, and Warren Counties. Primary services offered by the CCR&R include:

- Distributing consumer education materials to families seeking child care,
- Providing child care referrals to parents;
- Offering training to early childhood providers and parents;
- Helping potential child care providers establish programs,
- Providing training hours leading to the Commonwealth Child Care Credential and the Child Development Associate (CDA), and
- Advocating for affordable, accessible, high quality services for children and families.



The professionals and staff of the CCR&R at WKU are ready to provide assistance in a number of areas. Our staff includes:

Dr. Connie Jo Smith, CCR&R Director	Sherri Meyer, Parent & Community Coordinator
Jill Norris, CCR&R Coordinator	Dr. Amy S. Hood, Training Specialist
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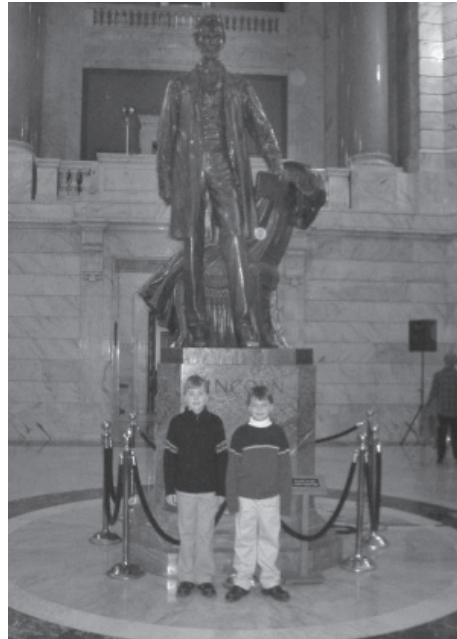
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# Children's Day at the Capital: An Exciting Day in Frankfort!

*Sherri Meyer, CCR&R Parent & Community Coordinator*

Wednesday, February 8, 2006 was a very exciting day in Frankfort. It was **Children's Day at the Capitol**. I was joined at this advocacy event by Jill Norris, Coordinator of the WKU Child Care Resource & Referral, and my two sons, Stephen and William. Eighteen Kentucky child advocacy organizations worked together to highlight children's issues and the need for funded programs that serve children and families.

We were welcomed to Frankfort early that morning in the Capitol Rotunda. After a kick-off rally, advocates were sent to visit legislators and encourage them to ask "Is it good for all Kentucky's Kids?" when they are making decisions about how to spend Kentucky's state dollars. Many advocates were there for child care, child abuse and neglect, child health, and child safety. All of these issues, including child care, affect all children and have an impact on the future of Kentucky. The message was clear – it is good to invest in Kentucky's kids!

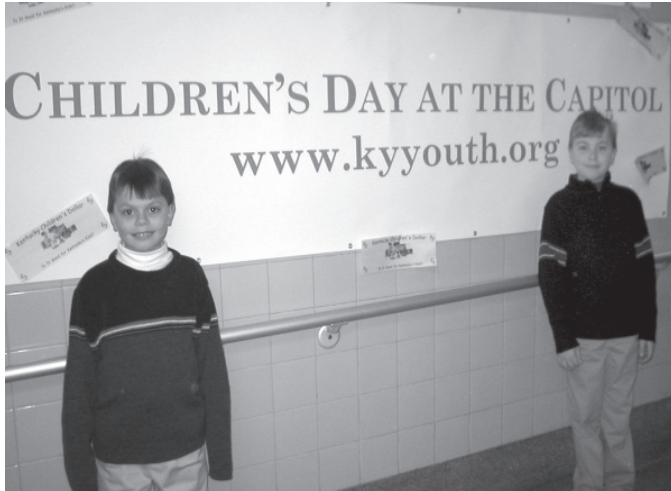


After visiting with or leaving information for Representatives and Senators, we gathered in the gallery (the upstairs of the House of Representatives) to view the legislative process in action. What a great experience! Everyone should watch our legislators at work.

This annual event typically occurs in February and more people are encouraged to visit and contact legislators every year during this time and throughout the year. As citizens, it is our responsibility to let legislators know our views on what laws are passed and what budget issues concern us. At the end of this article is a chart of each county in the Barren River Area Development District and the Senators and Representatives that represent each of those counties.

If you have never visited Frankfort or the Capitol, please make a point to do so. It is such an impressive building and a place filled not only with history from the past, but where history is made everyday.

COUNTY	SENATOR	REPRESENTATIVE
Allen County	Senator Richie Sanders, Jr.	Representative Rob Wilkey
Barren County	Senator Richie Sanders, Jr.	Representative Stephen Nunn
Butler County	Senator Brett Guthrie	Representative C.B. Embry
Edmonson County	Senator Richie Sanders, Jr.	Representative Terry Shelton
Hart County	Senator Carroll Gibson	Representative Terry Shelton
Logan County	Senator Joey Pendleton	Representative Sheldon Baugh
Metcalf County	Senator Richie Sanders, Jr.	Representative James Comer
Monroe County	Senator David Williams	Representative James Comer
Simpson County	Senator Richie Sanders, Jr.	Representative Rob Wilkey
Warren County	Senator Brett Guthrie	Representatives Jody Richards, Stephen Nunn, Jim DeCesare, and Rob Wilkey



And if you would like more information on being an advocate for children, about attending next year's **Children's Day at the Capitol**, or about information on contacting your legislators, please feel free to call the Child Care Resource & Referral and we will be glad to assist you.

Information for the Senators and Representatives taken from <http://www.lrc.ky.gov>. When you visit the web site, click on *Who's My Legislator*. Don't forget that the site also has *Kid Pages* for school age children featuring pictures, activities, and historical information that may be of interest.

Whether you are concerned about children's issues or other advocacy issues, you may call toll-free and leave a message for a Senator or Representative through the Legislative Research Commission's *Legislative Message Line*. Just call 1-800-372-7181

## Kentucky Children's Facts

Here is a sampling of information taken from *Children's Day at the Capitol Fast Facts*:

- In Kentucky, there are 993,696 children under the age of 18.
- In Kentucky, almost one out of every four children lives in poverty.
- Out of 50 states, Kentucky ranks 44th with the percent of children in poverty.
- Among the 50 states, Kentucky ranks 42nd in the well-being of our children
- On average, Kentucky's youth only have 19.6 of the assets that are considered the ideal for a youth to have healthy development. To be considered ideal, children must have 31 assets out of a total of 40 healthy development assets.

These are just a few of the fast facts about our children in the state of Kentucky. Sadly, Kentucky scores very low in many areas. With this information, as decisions are made on how to spend Kentucky's dollars, it is imperative that we look at all of Kentucky's children and spend wisely.

*For additional statistics on Kentucky's children, visit the website at <http://www.kyyouth.org>. For more information on the 40 Developmental Assets visit <http://www.search-institute.org/assets/forty.html>*

## Want to Be Published? Or Announce An Event?

If you are an administrator, coordinator, teacher, or caregiver, we encourage you to articles to be considered for publication in **THE CHILD CARE PROFESSIONAL**. You can share your experiences in early care and education, tell us about activities that work well with children, share ways you communicate and involve families, or discuss ideas for working with colleagues or community partners. Do you have a scholar story to tell about going back to school? Have a story about working on STARS for your facility? Want to tell us about your experiences starting your child care program? We welcome your submissions.

All non-profit agencies are also welcome to submit announcements for consideration of publication in the CCR&R newsletter. Describe your services, let us know about an upcoming event, or describe a specialized service your agency provides. We do not guarantee acceptance or the exact date of publication, but we want you - as our partners in early childhood - to freely contribute to YOUR newsletter. We will make every effort to include your articles and announcements in **THE CHILD CARE PROFESSIONAL** on a timely basis. *All articles, submissions, and announcements should be limited to 400 words or less, and must be typed and sent electronically. (Sorry, submissions cannot be returned.)* You may e-mail your submissions to [connie.smith@wku.edu](mailto:connie.smith@wku.edu), or mail them on disk to: Child Care Resource & Referral at WKU, 1906 College Heights Blvd. #11098, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101-1098.

# CCR&R PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING APRIL 2006 REGISTRATION PORTFOLIO



The Child Care Resource & Referral at WKU is the leading provider of quality, affordable training in the 10 counties of the Barren River Area Development District. The professional staff and consultants of the CCR&R provide Professional Development Training each month on a variety of topics, suitable for both new and veteran child care and family child care staff and administrators. Events are conveniently scheduled in the evening or on Saturdays and participants qualify for Child Care Training Credits.

This special removable section of **THE CCR&R PROFESSIONAL** contains registration forms for upcoming training events for the months of February 2006. Simply detach the portfolio pages from the rest of the newsletter and copy the registration form or forms you need. Then pass the **REGISTRATION PORTFOLIO** on to your co-workers or colleagues so that they may copy the forms to register for the training in which they are interested.

Please complete and return your registration form(s) with payment by the date specified on each form. For additional details on scheduled events, please contact the CCR&R at (270) 745-2216 or (800) 621-5908.

## Have You Lost Your Training Certificate?

If you've lost the certificate for any professional development training you received from the CCR&R, we will be happy to re-issue the certificate. Duplicate certificates are \$5 each and can be ordered by contacting Heather Alms at 270-745-2216 or 800-621-5908.

# CCR&R PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2006

MASS MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY HALL, NORMAL DRIVE, WKU, BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

## MORNING SESSION: 9:00 A.M.-NOON

- NUTRITION FACTS: FEEDING CHILDREN BIRTH TO FIVE.** This session will provide participants with information on nutrition facts and best practices for feeding young children. *Presenter:* Dr. Amy S. Hood, CCR&R Training Specialist. *Target Audience:* General. *CDA Subject Area:* 1. *Core Content:* Health, Safety & Nutrition. *Training Level:* 2.
- BASIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SANITATION: ORIENTATION TRAINING FOR EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS.** This is the first half in a mandatory session of six-hour training that all child care employees must attend during the first 90 days of employment. *Presenter:* Jill Norris, CCR&R Coordinator. *Target Audience:* New Employees. *CDA Subject Area:* 8. *Core Content:* Learning Environments & Curriculum. *Training Level:* 1.

## AFTERNOON SESSION: 1:30-3:00 P.M.

- CHILD ABUSE: A REFRESHER SESSION.** This session will offer participants an opportunity to be refreshed regarding our responsibilities as early care and education professionals in recognizing and reporting child abuse. *Presenter:* Dr. Amy S. Hood, CCR&R Training Specialist. *Target Audience:* General. *CDA Subject Area:* 1. *Core Content:* Health, Safety & Nutrition. *Training Level:* 2. ☺
- RECOMMENDED PRACTICES: ORIENTATION TRAINING FOR EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS.** This is the second half of the mandatory session of six-hour training that all child care employees must attend during the first 90 days of employment. *Presenter:* Jill Norris, CCR&R Coordinator. *Target Audience:* New Employees. *CDA Subject Area:* 1. *Core Content:* Learning Environments & Curriculum. *Training Level:* 1.

Participant check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. Submit one form per person; copy as necessary. **SELECT ONE CATEGORY.**

### BRADD AREA PARTICIPANT

Registration Fee is \$15 per Session (\$30 for two full Sessions of training).

*Return form with payment by April 7, 2006.*

*No registrations accepted after April 7, 2006*

### NON-BRADD AREA PARTICIPANT

Registration Fee is \$25 per Session (\$50 for two full Sessions of training).

*Return form with payment by April 7, 2006.*

*No registrations accepted after April 7, 2006*

There will be no on-site registrations!  Check here to receive CEU Credits and include an additional \$10 fee.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group(s) Served: \_\_\_\_\_ Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number : \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address for Confirmation (if available): \_\_\_\_\_ Your Primary Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Check Enclosed  Purchase Order # \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed

Please bill my Credit Card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover): \_\_\_\_\_

Card Expiration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**No registrations accepted after April 7, 2006.** Please return completed registration form with payment to:

Child Care Resource & Referral, Western Kentucky University  
1906 College Heights Blvd. #11098, Bowling Green, KY 42101-1098

ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS: Do you have a disability that requires special materials or services? Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

CANCELLATIONS: To avoid obligation for payment of fees or to obtain a refund, all cancellations must be received *in writing* five working days prior to the event.

# Child Care Resource & Referral Professional Development Training

## MICROSOFT EXCEL FOR RECORD KEEPING

1:00 - 3:00 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2006

JONES JAGGERS HALL, UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD, WKU, BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY?

Are you wasting time and energy on routine record keeping? Join us for this hands-on computer session on how you can use Microsoft Excel spread sheets as a solution to your record-keeping. We will design spreadsheets as a solution to meet attendance and payment needs and learn how to enter simple formulas that automatically calculate the data so it is available for your immediate use. **Please provide us with your e-mail address, if applicable, so that we can send you a pre-workshop questionnaire on you current computer knowledge.** *Presenter:* Jill Norris, CCR&R Coordinator. *Target Audience:* Administrators, Site Supervisors, Lead Teachers, Owners/Directors, etc. *CDA Subject Area:* 5. *Core Content:* Program Management & Evaluation. *Training Level:* 4.

Doors will open and participant check-in will begin at 5:30 p.m. on the night of the training.

You may copy and share this form as necessary. Print clearly and submit one form per person.

**There will be no on-site registrations!** \_\_\_ Check here to receive CEU Credits and include an additional \$10 fee.

**BRADD AREA PARTICIPANT**

Registration Fee is \$15 per participant.

**Return form with payment by April 12, 2006.**

*No registrations accepted after April 12, 2006.*

**NON-BRADD AREA PARTICIPANT**

Registration Fee is \$25 per participant.

**Return form with payment by April 12, 2006.**

*No registrations accepted after April 12, 2006.*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group(s) Served: \_\_\_\_\_ Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Child Care Resource & Referral Professional Development Training

## I THINK I HAVE BURNOUT! WHAT DO I DO?

6:00 - 8:00 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006

JONES JAGGERS HALL, UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD, WKU, BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

This session will help participants identify whether they are experiencing burnout and explore the factors and beliefs that lead to burnout. Additionally, participants will develop strategies for preventing and handling burnout. *Presenter:* Jill Norris, CCR&R Coordinator. *Target Audience:* General. *CDA Subject Area:* 6. *Core Content:* Professional Development & Professionalism. *Training Level:* 3.

Doors will open and participant check-in will begin at 5:30 p.m. on the night of the training. You may copy and share this form as necessary. Print clearly and submit one form per person.

**BRADD AREA PARTICIPANT**

Registration Fee is \$15 per participant.

Return form with payment by April 18, 2006.

No registrations accepted after April 18, 2006.

**NON-BRADD AREA PARTICIPANT**

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Return form with payment by April 18, 2006.

No registrations accepted after April 18, 2006.

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Age Group(s) Served: \_\_\_\_\_ Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Connecting Families with CCAP

The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services offers assistance in meeting child care costs to eligible families through local Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) offices. Additionally, child care providers who are registered, certified, or licensed early care and education providers can participate as a child care provider for these eligible families. To assist you in making families aware of this program, general family eligibility and local contact information is listed below.

Several criteria are utilized to determine CCAP eligibility for families, including but not limited to: number of people residing in the home; total household income; work/school participation; and age and/or special needs of children requiring care. The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services website (<http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dcc/apply.html>) lists the following information that families will need to provide CCAP workers for eligibility determination:

- Income verification for all adults in the household (pay stubs, receipts, statement of employer, tax forms, etc.).
- Names, dates of birth and Social Security numbers for all household members (Birth certificates or driver licenses may be used to verify date of birth).
- If appropriate, verification of a child's disability must be provided.
- If a child is age 13-18, verification of the child's disability or court order for child care must be provided.
- Documentation giving you permission to care for a child if you are not the biological parent or K-TAP designated relative of the child needing care.
- Current immunization records on all children needing care.

For more information about CCAP, go to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services website (<http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dcc/apply.html>). To schedule an appointment to determine eligibility, contact the Audubon Area Child Care Assistance Program worker in your area:

Allen County .....	270-237-3661
Barren County .....	270-651-7811
Butler County .....	270-526-3833
Edmonson County .....	270-597-2163
Hart County .....	270-524-7111
Logan County .....	270-726-3516
Metcalfe County .....	270-432-2721
Monroe County .....	270-487-6798
Simpson County .....	270-586-8266
Warren County .....	270-746-7072

## Book of the Month:

### What Makes a Rainbow?

*Michelle Duke, CCR&R Intern*

This colorful book written by Betty Ann Schwartz and illustrated by Dona Turner will be sure to catch the attention of every child in your center! The book focuses on different colors and the colors it takes to make a rainbow. As you turn each page, there is a string for that color that comes out of the book. When you get to the end a Little Rabbit has discovered all the colors that make up a rainbow and a big rainbow pops up out of the book. This book will also help the children in your classroom with color recognition.

The Child Care Resource & Referral Lending Library is open Monday through Friday from 8:00-4:30 p.m. Please contact us at 270-745-2216 or 800-621-5908 to schedule a time to visit. We are located on the WKU campus, Jones Jaggers Hall Room 117. Call us if you need directions!

If you cannot schedule a time to visit the library, materials may also be checked out by telephone. We will be happy to ship materials to your home or center. To learn more about the library's services, contact Heather Alms, Office Coordinator for further information.

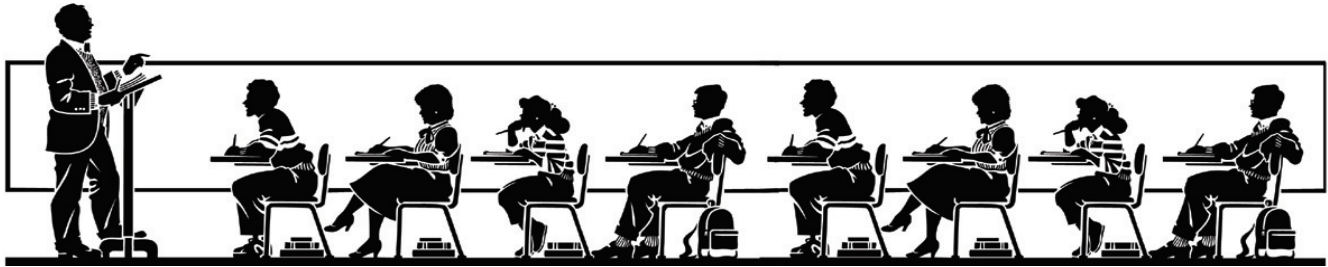
# Attention All Early Care & Education Professionals!

## Input Needed for the 2006-2007 CCR&R Training Plan

The Child Care Resource and Referral needs your input into our 2006-2007 Training Plan. If you have Internet access at your center or home, please consider taking five minutes to complete a short online survey to provide us with information regarding your professional development needs. The online survey will be available beginning March 1, 2006 at <http://www.wku.edu/ccrr-wku>.

If you don't have Internet access, but still want a chance to give us input, Internet access and support will be available on-site during our March training. Or you may contact the CCR&R office and request a hard copy of the survey. Contact us at 1-800-621-5908 or 270-745-2216 and a copy will be faxed or mailed to you.

Whether completing the survey online or by submitting a hard copy, we ask that you *return the survey by April 7*. Any personal information gathered through the survey will remain strictly confidential. Your input will enable us to plan future training events that meet your needs and those of other early care and education professionals in the BRADD area. Thank you for taking the time to help us gather this information and we look forward to your comments!



## Kentucky Autism Training Center Offers Workshops for Families and Professionals

The Kentucky Autism Training Center offers workshops for families and professionals. Topics include:

- Implementing Visual Supports Across Settings
- Visual Supports Make and Take Session
- Managing Challenging Behavior in Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Let's Talk About Sex: Autism, Adolescence and Sexuality
- Let's Be Friends: Adolescence, Peer Supports and Peer Victimization
- Implementing Social Skills and Social Stories Across Setting for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders
- An Introduction to Incorporating Picture Based Communications Systems across Settings for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders
- An Overview of the D.I.R. Model: A Multi-systems Approach to Intervention for Individuals with Autism Spectrum and Related Disorders
- "Simple Strategies for the Home Environment"

For more information contact: Rebecca Grau, M.P.A., Kentucky Autism Training Center, 911 S. Brook Street, Louisville, KY 40203. Call 502.852.7799 or 800.334.8635 ext. 852-4631, or visit our website at [www.kyautism.com](http://www.kyautism.com)

# STARS Rating System

Need information about the STARS Quality Rating System or Professional Development Scholarships? Here are your area contacts:

**STARS Quality Coordinator for Allen, Barren, Butler, Edmonson, Logan, Metcalfe, Monroe, Simpson, and Warren Counties**

Denney Breeding  
KATI Campus Room  
1181127 Morgantown Road  
Bowling Green, KY 42101  
Phone: 270-901-1173 or 800-790-0990 ext.1173  
Fax: 270-901-1198  
Email: denney.breeding@uky.edu

**STARS Quality Coordinator for Hart County**

Karen Hellman  
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College  
OTB Building Rm. 110  
620 College Street Rd.  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
Phone: 270-706-8755  
Email: karen.hellman@uky.edu

**Professional Development Counselor**

Kimberly Jo Smith  
KATI Campus Room 119  
1127 Morgantown Road  
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101  
Phone: 270-901-1157 or 800-790-0990, ext. 11157  
Fax: 270-901-1198  
Email: Kimberly.J.Smith@uky.edu



## Child Care Provider Appreciation Day!

This year Friday, May 12, 2006 has been designated as the date for this year's **Child Care Provider Appreciation Day!**

This special day of recognition was originated by a group of volunteers in New Jersey in 1996 in an effort to recognize the child care providers, teachers, and educators of young children everywhere.

Please watch for more information in our April newsletter. We'll provide additional details on how the staff from the CCR&R at WKU plan to celebrate Child Care Provider Appreciation Day with you this year!

## BRADD Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist

Need information on the Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist in the Barren River Area?

Sandy Hackbarth, is the Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist serving the Barren River Area. Sandy is available to meet with staff and visit area centers and offer services to providers regarding specific mental health issues including aggressive behaviors.

To find out more about the role of the Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist, contact Sandy by phone at 270-901-5000, extension 1008.

# Help Us Keep Your Information Current

To help us better serve your program and potential clients when we provide information in referrals to parents, we are asking that you notify us whenever your program experiences changes. When changes occur, the form below can be completed and mailed or faxed to our office, or you may call or e-mail us with changes if you prefer. The more up-to-date our database, the more accurate our referrals will be. Thank you for your assistance!

Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Director Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DAYS CARE PROVIDED							
	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
<i>Start Time</i>							
<i>End Time</i>							

RATES				
<i>AGE GROUP/AGE RANGE</i>	<i>DAILY PART-TIME</i>	<i>DAILY FULL-TIME</i>	<i>WEEKLY PART-TIME</i>	<i>WEEKLY FULL-TIME</i>
<i>Birth to 12 Months</i>				
<i>12 to 24 Months</i>				
<i>2 to 3 Years</i>				
<i>3 to 4 Years</i>				
<i>4 to 5 Years</i>				
<i>5 to 6 Years</i>				
<i>6 Years or Older</i>				

CAPACITY / VACANCY INFORMATION			
<i>AGE GROUP/AGE RANGE</i>	<i>LICENSED CAPACITY</i>	<i>FULL-TIME VACANCIES</i>	<i>PART-TIME VACANCIES</i>
<i>Birth to 12 Months</i>			
<i>12 to 24 Months</i>			
<i>2 to 3 Years</i>			
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<i>4 to 5 Years</i>			
<i>5 to 6 Years</i>			
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Complete and return form to:

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