

All In For Kansas Kids



Strengthening Early Childhood in Kansas

WEBINAR MAY 5, 2021



WELCOME

- **General Updates**
- **Child Care Aware® of Kansas**
 - School Age Child Care

Webinar Agenda



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 3-7



George Lucas Educational Foundation
<https://www.edutopia.org/video/teacher-appreciation-week-ages>

Thank you for all you do!



KINDERGARTEN READINESS TRAINING

- **The Kansas Masonic Literacy Center**

- Offering Kindergarten Readiness training
 - Free, online, self-paced, Professional Learning Series for care givers and teachers of children birth through age five
- Participants will earn **18 KDHE hours** and \$150 stipends will be available to support attendance
- Summer and Fall class dates will be announced soon
- Contact tmarkowi@emporia.edu for information about the course.

**Professional
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THE GROWING BRAIN

○ The Kansas Masonic Literacy Center

- Enrolling now! - FREE Growing Brain course through \$175 grant stipends to eligible professionals from Frontier and Rural counties.
- If not eligible for stipend, you can still take the course for free and receive **21 KDHE** approved hours.
- The course is also being offered as 1-hour ESU College Credit.
 - Check scholarship availability at <https://kccto.org/providers/scholarships/>.
- Contact tmarkowi@emporia.edu for information about the course.

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KANSAS QUALITY NETWORK

- **Kansas Quality Network:** (<https://ksqualitynetwork.org/>) is a website that helps families, childcare providers, and communities find resources available for the advancement, support, and recognition of continuous quality improvement efforts in childcare in Kansas.
- **We need your help as we consider future efforts to promote this resource!** If you are aware of any state or local planned public awareness/consumer education campaigns in the coming year that connect with child care and early childhood issues, please share that in the chat bar or email jevan.bremby@ku.edu

Resource & Referral



OUR TOMORROWS STORYBANK | HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK OF MAY 3RD

- Recent stories have highlighted mental health struggles for both providers and families across our state
 - Patterns indicate prevalence
 - Among women
 - Across identities and income brackets
 - Struggles are occurring multiple times and lingering for weeks or months
- Story shareres experiencing disruptions from mental health issues were also one of the *least likely* groups to seek help from the government
- If you've experienced recent mental health struggles please tell us about your experience and if you received the support you needed
 - <https://ourtomorro.ws/KCCTF>

Our Tomorrows Update



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CHILD CARE AWARE OF KANSAS

SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE

**PRESENTATION BY TANYA KOEHN, DIRECTOR OF
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School Age Child Care

Searching for Child Care?

Statewide Referral Center

- Speak with a knowledgeable Resource Specialist
- Bi-lingual Resource Specialist
- Language line
- Child care list tailor to family needs
- Additional consumer educational needs



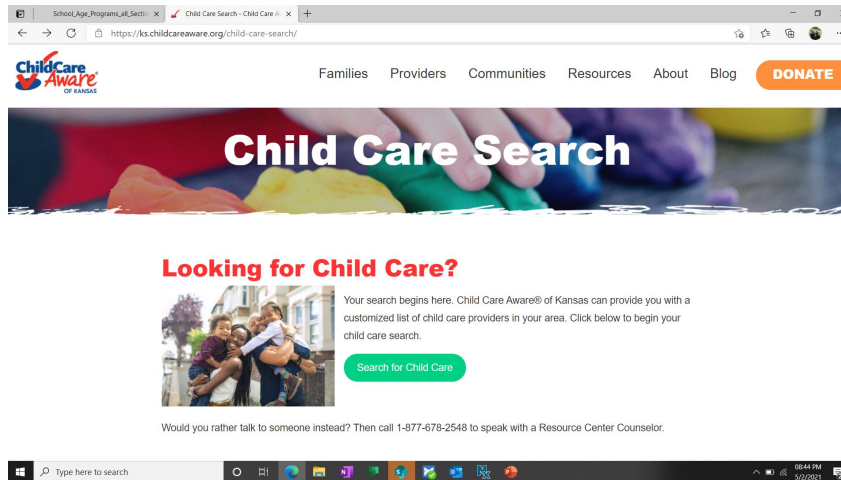
Call -877-678-2548



Searching for Child Care?

Search Online

- Available 24 hours
- Mobile friendly
- Allows google translate
- Access to consumer education materials.



Search online at
www.ks.childcareaware.org



School Age

- Kansas Department of Health & Environment definition of “School-age child” and “child” mean an individual who is of kindergarten age through the academic year in which the child is in the sixth grade and who is attending the program. Each school-age child shall be included in the license capacity



School age programs

1. **Building Base School Age Program:** Operated out of a building- is not an outdoor summer camp or a mobile school age program
2. **Outdoor Summer Camp School Age Program:** a program that operates only during the summer months and is conducted at an outdoor location for the duration of the program but does not include any summer instructional camps.
3. **Mobile summer program:** a program that operates only during the summer months. Children and youth meet at a designated pick-up and drop-off site, and are transported daily to locations off the premises for program activities.



Additional options

Family child care:
Mixes ages, no more
than 4 school age
children.

Child Care Centers:
can be in a mixed age
classroom or
classroom with all
school age children.



Finding School Age Activities



Local library



Local YMCA/Boys & Girls Club



Local city website



K-State Research & Extension Office www.ksre.k-state.edu side Statewide Locations



Local Parks and Recreation www.krpa.org under Home tab Kansas Agencies



Kansas Enrichment Network: www.kansasenrichment.net

Resources Enrichment Activities & STEM Activity Cards



Finding Activities

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https://ks.childcareaware.org/community-resource-sheets/

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Families Providers Communities Resources About Blog **DONATE**

Information for All 105 Kansas Counties

To learn more about the average cost of child care in a county, to access links to local, state and national services, and to find connections to helpful parenting information – click on an alphabetical dropdown below and select your county from the list of links.

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REMINDERS AND NEXT STEPS

- Early Childhood Recommendations Panel Meeting (5/21)
 - Registration and YouTube Viewing Information on the Cabinet website.
- Next Biweekly Webinar – Wednesday, May 19th
 - Let us know what topics you're interested in, or if you have information to share in the webinars or weekly emails.
- Cabinet and Stakeholder Group Meeting (6/4)
- Share feedback! - <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/share/>

Early Childhood System



<https://kschildrenscabinet.org>



Thank you!

