



KOCOMotions



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Important Dates in July

Friday, July 3	KOCO closed <i>Independence Day</i>
Thursday, July 9	Grandparent Day
Tuesday, July 21	Board of Directors Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm
Wednesday, July 22	Haircuts 10:00 am
Thursday, July 30	Bike Rodeo

Kindergarten, Schoolage and TASC families

Due to peanut allergies in these classrooms, we request that you limit the amount of peanut butter you send in for lunch and snack. Thank you so much for helping us to keep everyone safe this summer!



Miss Shonagh visits the graduating Kindergarten class with her new son, Robert.

Thank you... Thank you... Thank you...

...to Hunter and Bella's dad (Dan Peszynski of Paul's and Sandy's Too) for his generous donation of landscape cloth and stone (and labor) for our front entrance.

...to Jordyn's mom (Jennifer Carhide), Autumn's dad (Mike Houle), and Hunter's mom (June Furino) for chaperoning movie night.

...to Autumn's dad (Mike Houle) and brothers for donating and installing a shade shelter in the Under 3 playground.

...to Jessica's family (the Marchants) for donating toys and games.

From the Office...

In an effort to provide your children with a safe and quality daycare environment, please read these important reminders about KOCO's policy regarding the dropoff and pickup of your children:

Drop off early and prepared. Be sure to drop your children at KOCO prepared to participate in summer program activities. Children participating in field trips should arrive by 8:30 AM, sunscreensed, with at least two beverages and a bag lunch. All children should bring at least two beverages per day, especially during the summer. All children should keep sunscreen, a bathing suit, a towel and water shoes in their cubbies. KOCO's enrollment is now over 150 children, so please label everything! Do not send anything valuable or fragile (we cannot be responsible for items that are lost, broken, traded or stolen). Check with your child's classroom teachers for policies regarding toys from home.

Drop off safely. Never leave a young child unattended in a vehicle. Never leave an unattended vehicle running. No matter their age, it is never safe to drop a child off unaccompanied in the KOCO driveway, especially during rush time or bus time. Please take the time to park your vehicle, escort your child to the appropriate program space, deliver them into the care of a specific teacher, and sign them in on the sign in sheet. In the event of an emergency (during a fire drill, for example), teachers rely on the accuracy of the sign in sheet to account for the children in their care. An inaccurate sign in sheet can cause unnecessary confusion and waste precious time during an evacuation.

Plan for emergencies. We encourage you to be proactive about unforeseen emergencies that could delay your evening pickup. In order to avoid late pickups, please make every effort to adjust your travel schedule to account for bad weather or heavy traffic. Provide contact information for a *local* alternate pickup person in case of emergency. Alternate pickup contacts should live within 15 minutes of KOCO and be consistently available during pickup time. Be sure to keep all contact information current. While it is best to have at least one local alternate pickup contact on file before such an emergency arises, an administrator will take last-minute contact information over the phone if necessary.

Avoid late pickups. Finally, KOCO closes promptly at 6:00 PM. Parents should make every effort to have their children *packed up and out the door* by 6:00 PM. KOCO staff members have recently been required to work overtime two or three nights per week because of parents arriving at 6:00 PM or later. While we are happy to provide after-hour care for your children in cases of unforeseen emergencies (weather, traffic, etc.), it is unreasonable to expect KOCO to provide after-hour care on a routine basis. If late pickup is unavoidable, additional charges and fees may apply (in accordance with your enrollment contract). Children who are consistently picked up after 6:00 PM are at risk of disenrollment from KOCO.

Thank you for helping us to provide safe, quality programs for your children!

☺ Roxann, Janet and Krista