

Monthly Family Newsletter

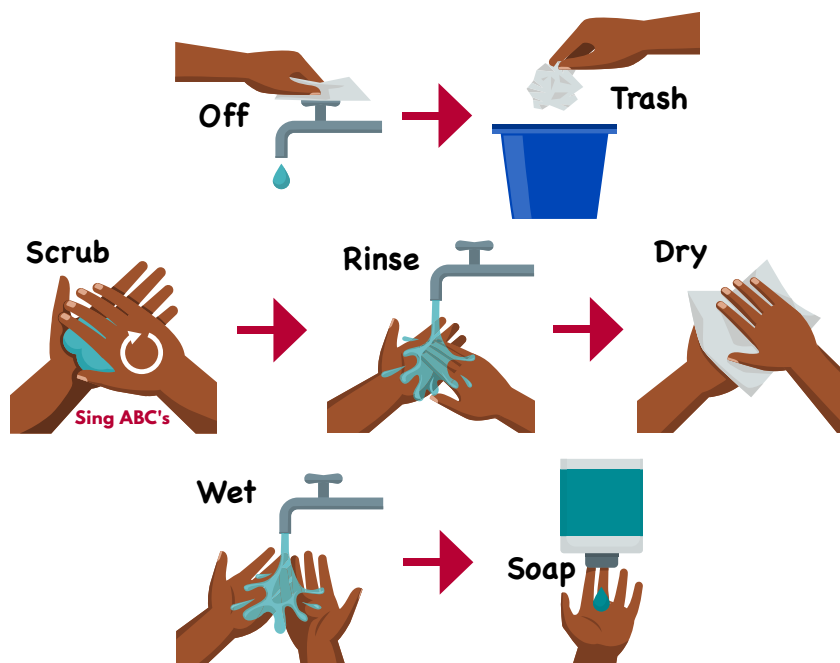
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As we are excited to get back into another great year of learning, we are taking extra measures to ensure the health and safety of all of our Educare family. Stressing to your child the importance of handwashing is more crucial than ever.

Have you been discussing handwashing with your kiddos?

How To **WASH** YOUR HANDS



Video of proper handwashing: tinyurl.com/trjzge3

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Meet The Educare Family!

Sumayah (Sammi) Al-Amin is an EHS Classroom Support, working with 0-3 year olds. She has been working at Educare for a year and a half. She loves the new experiences in the classroom for the children. Her favorite classroom activity is anything sensory. She likes cats, hula hooping and the color black as well as Apple music, TikTok and YouTube. If she had a superpower, it would be teleporting,

“Because I could go anywhere!”

From our Executive Director

JANET JAMERSON

We are excited for another school year and want you to know that we are doing everything we possibly can to make sure your child is safe and healthy. We are offering a 4-day school week as well as having a virtual option. Our school sessions will be held Mon-Thursdays with Fridays off, devoted to deep cleaning. Here are 7 ways to help kids transition to get back to school: Help kids create a designated workspace (for virtual learning or homework time). Remember to read with them! (this helps in every aspect of learning growth!). Be there to ease transitions and keep the communication lines open (talk to them about what they are learning and what they like). Support homework (make time to learn with them). Pack healthy lunches (healthy food helps them learn). Stay active and focus on physical activity (their brains need movement). Try a new extracurricular activity (something else to focus on)

Check out this article to learn more:

www.parents.com/kids/education/ways-to-better-prepare-kids-for-virtual-learning



Scan this QR code to complete the health check survey each morning.

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Mark Your Calendars: Important Dates



- Sep 7th - closed (Labor day)
- Week of Sep 8th - Virtual Home Visits
- Week of Sep 14th - Face to Face
- Sep 21st: All Students go back!
- Please note: Students will come for face to face in two groups. Group A will come on Mon & Tues, Group B will come on Weds & Thurs. Students will get their assigned days from their teacher
- Monday- Thursdays will be the school week, Fridays will be closed for deep cleaning.

From our Family Engagement Coordinator

JENNY HALL

Family Engagement is an interactive process through which program staff and families, family members, and their children build positive and goal-oriented relationships. It is a shared responsibility of families and professionals that requires mutual respect for the roles and strengths each has to offer. At the program level, family engagement involves parents' engagement with their children and with staff as they work together toward the goals that families choose for themselves and their children. Parents enter relationships with staff on their children's behalf, and they deepen these relationships with their children in mind. They know their children better than anyone—their temperaments, personalities, strengths, vulnerabilities, talents, and special needs. They know their own cultures and what they want to transmit to their children. When parents share their knowledge, they improve provider practices and program quality. **Children are at the heart of meaningful family engagement. They are the inspiration for positive, goal-oriented, parent-provider relationships.** - Head Start ECLKC

Our staff is so excited for new masks with a clear window in the front. This will help us to still teach facial expressions and recognition, which is vital in early childhood. These masks were provided with support from the C.S. Mott Foundation.

#MaskUpMichigan

From our School Director

JODI RAMOS

Parents, it is so important to talk to your kids about how they feel about school if they are excited, and what they are you doing to stay safe. As you both prepare for their return to school, keep these tips in mind for both their physical and mental health.

- Help your child stay active
- Help children learn at home - be accessible and interested in what they need and are learning.
- Help keep your child healthy
- Help your child cope with stress
- Talk to your child about Coronavirus
- Teach and Reinforce everyday preventative actions



THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO BE A PART OF YOUR FAMILY!

FAMILIES PARTICIPATING IN VIRTUAL LEARNING WILL RECEIVE INFO IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS