

It takes a big
heart
to help shape
**little
minds.**

National Provider Appreciation Day May 7, 2021

You deserve to be celebrated! Take a moment to commend yourself and other family child care providers in your area for the contributions you make to children and their families. By opening your homes and hearts to children, you are helping shape future generations. We know how incredibly important your job is and we want to express our appreciation for the work you do as family child care providers. **THANK YOU** for the love and commitment each of you give to children and their families every day!

May & June PNI Training Opportunities

Class dates are subject to change due to COVID 19 throughout the community.

Rates for CPR/First Aid: PNI Providers: \$60.00 • Non-PNI Providers: \$65.00

Class fee is non-refundable. Payment must be received in our office prior to class date to secure spot.

**** PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL CLASSES BY CONTACTING THE PNI OFFICE. ****

SAFE WITH YOU - LINCOLN

May 15, 2021 • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Instructor: Becky Burns

Cost: \$20.00

PEDIATRIC CPR/FIRST AID - COLUMBUS

May 15, 2021 • 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

(class date subject to change based on library availability)

2419 14th Street - Old Police Department

(across from the current library)

Instructor: Lisa Benson

PEDIATRIC CPR/FIRST AID - LINCOLN

June 19, 2021 • 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Due to COVID 19, all class participants are REQUIRED TO BRING A MASK TO WEAR DURING THE ENTIRE CLASS.

Please bring your own writing utensil.

Food and beverages will not be offered but participants are welcome to bring their own.

For those who still utilize paper forms for claiming or if you need to send new/updated child enrollments or income eligibility paperwork before the end of the month, please keep this in mind.

New USPS Plan To Cut Post Office Hours

WASHINGTON (CNN) — *If you think the mail takes too long now, it's about to take even longer.*

Postmaster General Louis DeJoy announced a new ten-year plan for the United Postal Service (USPS).

The plan includes longer delivery times and cuts to the post office hours to reduce operational costs. New [energy-friendly delivery vehicles](#) and ideas for new services are also a part of the plan.

DeJoy has been [under fire](#) since the changes he made over the summer that slowed mail delivery, most notably during the Presidential election. He apologized in February for the slow mail, calling it "unacceptable."

We've already experienced some significant mail delays (over two weeks). We have found that it is best to mail claims or income eligibility paperwork using some type of postage tracking to insure timely delivery. That paperwork is time sensitive and must be received by their due dates.

Completed child enrollments should always be copied before mailing and if you do not see new children moved out of your pending status before the end of the month, please call the office for further assistance.

Add a **variety** of **colorful** vegetables to your daily snack menus!

Spinach and feta cheese salad and whole grain crackers



Baked sweet potatoes and apple slices

Black bean dip and pita chips

Sugar snap peas and tomato juice



Carrots, celery and string cheese

Orange, red, green peppers and hummus

Avocados and whole grain English muffins



Tomato and cucumber salad and cottage cheese



Asparagus and mixed fruit

Corn salsa and bagel chips



April claim reimbursement paid in May
Tentative Direct Deposit Date: May 20th

IMPORTANT MONTHLY REMINDERS:

- ✓ **Per USDA Regulations:** all meals and attendance must be recorded by 11:59 pm every day. If you run into login issues, you must call and leave a message at the office the same day of occurrence for reimbursement consideration.
- ✓ On-line claims should always be submitted the last day of the month, after your last meal has been entered. Paper claims must be received in the office NO LATER than noon on the 4th of each month.
- ✓ Do not wait to mail your CRF's. All Registration Forms must be received by the end of each month. Mail your CRF's right away when a child starts in your care instead of waiting until the end of the month.
- ✓ You must contact the office if you plan on moving or changing directors PRIOR TO THE MOVE OR CHANGE. If you contact licensing, you are responsible for contacting PNI as well.
- ✓ Review your claim summary each month and contact the office or your advisor right away if you have any questions.
- ✓ Add non-school days to each school age and preschool child's calendars before the end of each month to avoid deductions.
- ✓ Check your postal mail, email and voice mails daily so you are not missing important information from the PNI office or your advisor.
- ✓ We cannot be held responsible for the mail service or delays. Please refer to a calendar monthly and plan accordingly. You can utilize our drop slot to drop off paperwork anytime.
- ✓ If you call the office and no one answers, please leave a detailed voice mail and your call will be returned within 24 hours. You can also email your advisor, Lara, or Carrie at anytime.