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Excellence in Child Care & Early Learning

For the Parents

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Welcoming Jessica Ly and Wendy Park to Southgate Medallion Team!

**Agency Office will
be closed:
Canada Day
July 2
Heritage Day
August 6**

Please inform your consultant of any changes to your schedule 5 business days prior to the end of the month so we can ensure the correct fee amount is withdrawn.

When terminating child care you are required to give your provider and the agency two weeks written notice.

Alberta Child Care Subsidy Office is open until 8 pm

Click [here](#) to view our website.

Click [here](#) to view our Facebook page.

Jessica Ly

Jessica started working at Southgate Medallion in May 2018 as a day home consultant. She has graduated with Bachelors in Child and Youth Care from MacEwan University. She has worked in a variety of settings in the human service industry as well as early childhood education.

Jessica is excited to build relationships with providers and children through visits and play time. She is enjoying supporting the providers, parents, and children who are part of the agency.

Wendy Park

Wendy started working at Southgate Medallion in May 2018 as a day home consultant. She has early childhood education diploma from Grand Prairie Regional College. This took several years but with time and dedication she was able to reach this goal to graduate with a diploma in child care. She has worked with children, families and staff for 18 years in child care settings.

Wendy's passion is working with children and for children she believes every child needs to have a safe, warm and caring environment to learn, explore and grow. She is very excited to work with providers and support them in providing high quality care.

Provider Profile

Family Day Home Agency Standard 7: Service for Parents states:

During the placement process agencies must provide prospective parents with an approved family day home provider profile that includes information about home visits (compliance/non-compliance), complaints received and any incidents that have occurred in the provider's home in last 12 months. This profile is available to currently enrolled parents upon request.

If you want to review your provider's profile at any time, please contact your day home consultant.

Sun Safety Tips

UV index was developed to help Canadians to protect themselves from sun's damaging ultra violet (UV) rays. The higher the UV index, the stronger the sun's rays, the higher the need to protect yourself. The UV index report is usually available in the local weather report. Below are some safety precautions that you can take to protect from sun's harmful rays:

- **Protect the skin:**

When the UV index is 3 or higher, protect your skin as much as possible. Generally UV rays are stronger between 11 am and 4 pm.

- Seek shade or use umbrella
- Wear tightly woven, loose fitting clothing that covers as much of the body as possible and wide brimmed hat
- Use broad spectrum sunscreen with SPF of at least 30. Apply sunscreen 15-30 minutes before you head outside. Reapply every 2-3 hours if swimming or sweating heavily.
- Keep babies under 12 months of age out of direct sunlight and protect from sun using hats and protective clothing
- Do not use sunscreen for babies under 6 months of age.

- **Protect the eyes:**

- Use sunglasses that provide 99-100% UVA and UVB protection to protect eyes.
- Use a wide brimmed hat to protect eyes, ears, face, and back of neck.

*Information retrieved from Alberta Health Services and Health Canada

Language Development in Children –Part 1

Children learn language from the day they are born. They learn about the world through their senses—by touching, seeing, tasting, listening and doing. Any activity you do with a child or any other interaction with the child is a learning experience for that child.

Tips for creating language rich environment for child under 12 months of age:

- Talk to your baby about anything—your day, what you are doing/seeing
- Copy your baby when she makes a sound
- Read to your baby daily
- Take turns when playing with your baby - you roll the ball, then baby rolls the ball
- Sing a song over and over
- Use actions with songs
- Talk about what you are doing when bathing or changing your baby.



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