

# BEAR NECESSITIES FOR FAMILIES EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION



Participate in our classes and special events and have some fun with other families this winter! Our staff is looking forward to greeting your family at School Readiness, ECFE classes and BLT classes.

Preschool registration 2018-19, on April 3, is important to attend if you want to apply for a scholarship. Usually, one or more of our classes fill up that night.

Please register for the Spring Field Trip early because our busses have a limited number of seats. We are traveling to Chutes and Ladders Playground and the Minnesota Children's Museum in St. Paul.

Sincerely,  
Peggy Starz. Early Childhood Coordinator

To register for classes or special events, please fill out this form and return with fee to:



ACGC Public Schools -  
Attn: Peggy Starz  
302 South 2nd Street  
Atwater, MN 56209

## ECFE REGISTRATION

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Register for:

Class letter	Day/Time	Location	Fee
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
Waive Fee _____		Total Fee _____	

Family's Yearly Gross Income	One child in one class 7 week session & Incredible Yrs.
\$50,000 +	\$55.00
\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$40.00
\$15,000 - \$30,000	\$25.00
below \$15,000	\$ 15.00

Payments are confidential. Consider the sliding fee scale and choose what your family can afford. No Atwater, Cosmos or Grove City resident will be denied participation in ECFE due to inability to pay.

We reserve the right to combine, cancel, or relocate classes. All classes are canceled when school is closed.

ACGC SCHOOL READINESS PRESCHOOLS

Classes Offered for

**Three to five year olds**

**Where:** ACGC Elementary, Atwater

**Cost:** \$30 registration fee

Monthly tuition based on sliding fee scale

**Instructors:** Michelle Behm, Lissa Borchert

**Assistants:** Pam Narragon, Tracey Rogers

**When:** September through May

**Register On:**

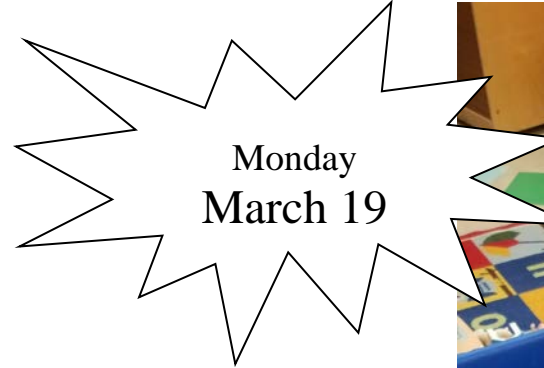
Tuesday, April 3  
at 6:00 p.m.

**Fees:** A \$30 registration fee is required along with registration forms. The registration fee is not refundable. Tuition is based on the sliding fee scale below and is due by mail the first of each month. Scholarships are available for families who qualify—fill out a financial aid application when you register.



<u>FAMILY INCOME TO QUALIFY</u>	<u>SCHOLARSHIP</u>	<u>MONTHLY FEE</u>
Pathway I or II	\$100	0
Level 1	\$ 50	\$ 50
Level 2	\$ 20	\$ 80
Level 3	0	\$100

**Atwater Cosmos Grove City Schools will be holding Early Childhood Screening:**



You will receive an invitation and information asking you and your child to take advantage of screening in March if your child is 3 ½ years of age. Please call the school office to make an appointment to have your child screened.

**ACGC Elementary - (320)244-4693**

In order for your child to start kindergarten in any Minnesota public school, you will need to provide your school with your child's Early Childhood Screening Summary and an Immunization Record.



**Early Childhood Family Education  
Bear Necessities for Families**

ACGC Public Schools  
302 South Second Street  
Atwater, MN 56209-0760

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Atwater, MN 56209  
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**CLASSES OR ACTIVITIES  
FOR INFANTS THROUGH  
PRESCHOOL. FUN FOR  
FAMILIES OF EVERY SHAPE  
AND SIZE!**



School Readiness at ACGC  
2017

## SPRING FIELDTRIP

Join us for a day of playing and learning at the Minnesota Children's Museum and Chutes and Ladders Playground. We will begin our day at the MN Children's Museum



in St. Paul. Our next stop will be Chutes and Ladders Playground. Bring a sack lunch, including beverage, to eat at a picnic table in the playground. You will get a chance to climb, slide and explore on a giant hillside. Remember to dress comfortably for the weather.

**Register by April 17**

**WHO:** Parents and preschool children ages 2 up to kindergarten enrollment.

**WHERE:** Minnesota Children's Museum and Chutes and Ladders Playground.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 16 7:55 a.m. depart  
Approximate return, 4:30 p.m.

7:55 a.m. Busses depart  
ACGC High School, 27250 MN  
ST HWY 4, Grove City.

**COST:** \$19/child or adult

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## ECFE CLASS SCHEDULE



Start winter out right by spending some quality time with your child. ECFE classes are special activities for parents and children that allow children to develop friendships and expand social skills. Parent discussions give adults time to share ideas and assist each other in their challenging role as parents.

Registration must be received by January 30 for C

### Session IV Incredible Years

Dates.....Thurs, 1/11, 18, 25

Time.....5:30 -7:30 p.m.

Location.....ACGC Elementary

### Session C

Dates....Mon., 2/12, 19, 26, 3/5

Time.....9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Location.....ACGC Elementary



### WHAT, WHERE and WHEN:

**BLT-3** Opening Windows to the World (Comprehension)



**BLT-3A** Tues., 1/30.....Atwater.....2:30-4:00 p.m.

**BLT-3B** Tues., 1/30.....Atwater.....5:30-7:00 p.m.

**BLT-4** Structured for Sounds (Phonemic Awareness)



**BLT-4A** Mon., 3/26.....2:30-4:00 p.m.

**BLT-4B** Mon., 3/26.....6:00-7:30 p.m.

**EBLT-2** Pajama Party



**EBLT-2A** Tues., 2/20.....3:00-4:00 p.m.

**EBLT-2B** Tues., 2/20.....5:30-6:30 a.m.





## WHAT IS ACTIVE CLASSROOM?



Children in ACGC School Readiness have our Active Classroom specialist, Mark Stier, in their classroom at least once each week. They may come home and tell you about dragon breathing or yoga. We know physical activity is very

important for preschool children, but what is really happening during this time? Fun and learning!



Children's Page:

## PARENT CHILD SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS

Science is a matter of exploring the world. A parent need not formally teach his child science and science concepts. Instead, as a parent, he should simply help his child take advantage of the many opportunities to learn about the world around him. A parent's role is to supply accurate information, using a vocabulary on the level of the child, introducing new terms as needed. When a parent cannot answer a question, she should feel free to tell the child she is not certain, but they will find out together at the library, internet, encyclopedia, etc. Try to work from the known to the unknown, and deal with science experiences in a hands-on manner. Some ideas to try:

*Explore light and shadows, on a sunny day, in streetlight at night while using a flashlight. Read Robert Lewis Stevenson's poem, "My Shadow."*

*Talk about living vs. nonliving things. Observe characteristics of living things and non living things.*

*Observe the characteristic movements of animals—swimming, flying, hopping, walking and crawling. Have them cut out pictures of animals that move in these different ways. Also, have the child act out the different ways animals move.*

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### Science Books to Enjoy

Why? The Best Ever Question and Answer Book about Nature, Science and the World Around You, Ripley  
What Do You Do with a Tail Like This?, Jenkins

# Spring Fieldtrip Registration

Wednesday, May 16 7:50am-4:30pm

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Fee enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$18 person)

## **REGISTER BY:**

**Tuesday, April 17 (or until full)**

Minimum - 52

Maximum - 156

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## **SPRING FIELDTRIP**

Join us for a day of playing and learning at the Elm Creek Park Playground and Mall of America's Minnesota Aquarium. We will begin our day at Elm Creek Park and end it at MOA. Bring a sack lunch, including beverage, to eat at a picnic table in the playground. You will get a chance to climb, slide and explore in the Big Woods Play Area. Remember to dress comfortably for the weather.

**WHO:** Parents and preschool children ages 2 up to kindergarten enrollment.

**WHERE:** Elm Creek Park Playground and Minnesota Aquarium at MOA

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