School has started and we have all worked through several months of a pandemic and it may appear this is our normal, for now. I want to express my appreciation for all programs and their dedicated work for the children in Weber, Davis and Morgan counties. Many have overcome the hurdle of helping children transition to school and we congratulate you on that accomplishment as well.

Even though it feels like craziness is still here, we have adapted and we are doing okay, considering. As we settle in, are you looking for ways to support continuous quality improvement in your program? While we may have the observation piece of the Child Care Quality System and the application to receive a rating on hold, we want to encourage programs to keep working on ways to get points towards their scores. Professional development is an easy way to get points. Our classes for the next quarter will remain in a virtual format with a low fee of $5.00 per class. This is a great way for staff and providers to start taking classes that will work towards those professional development points. A nice outcome is also that providers and caregivers then can start to participate in the Career Ladder system and receive the Professional Development incentive. If you would like to know more about the Career Ladder or the Professional Development incentive, contact Janet in our office. (801-626-7861, Janetwahlquist@weber.edu)

What about family engagement? Are you still looking for ways to connect with families such as doing virtual family conferences where you are able to share tracked developmental progress, set goals and just generally check in? If you do, keep a sign-up sheet as part of your documentation. Have you been sharing information on community agencies? How have you been inviting families to be a part of your program? With many of the changes that have occurred, sharing monthly communications with families can be very important when parents may not be in our programs the same way they were at the beginning of the year. Keep documentation of how you are sharing information, such as through newsletters or social media posts. These are all things that can still be done in a safe and healthy manner and will provide you with ways to earn points towards the Child Care Quality System when that opens back up to participate in the rating process. If you have any questions or would like to know more about the Child Care Quality System, please contact Janet in our office.

As always, we love and support our providers and we have so enjoyed talking to so many of you on a more regular basis. Thank you for all you do.
Do you know about the Child Care Aware of America website?

They are a national organization that has great resources for Child Care Providers and the families they serve.


They help answer questions like:
- Should your child care program stay open?
- How can child care professionals support families during the coronavirus outbreak?

They are also available to provide personalized support.

They have a searchable library of articles, brochures, and webinars on several different topics.

In addition to the latest information related to the current pandemic, they have resources on several other topics as well.

You can visit them at [ChildCareAware.org](https://www.childcareaware.org)
Have you heard of PCAU Parents as Teachers? This evidence-based home visiting program is available for free to eligible Weber County families with children prenatal through 5 years old.

Why does that matter to you? As a childcare provider, you have daily opportunities to interact with young children who may be struggling with potty training, routines, biting, discipline, nutrition, sensory issues, developmental delays, sharing, gross motor skills, fine motor skills, emotional intelligence, sleep hygiene, and more that directly impact the experience in your classroom and your childcare center overall. Parents or caregivers and their child’s childcare provider have little time to meet with and collaborate over behavioral concerns or developmental issues such as these. What can be done?

Connecting the parents or caregivers of your most challenging children with a Parent Educator from PCAU’s Parents as Teachers program will provide them with safe, appropriately social distanced home visits (including virtual lessons) that will empower parents with the tools to better work with childcare providers to create consistent messaging and support for a struggling child. Our certified, nationally accredited home visitors are prepared with tools and activities tailored for each unique child and family situation and can, with the family’s consent, exchange information with childcare providers to generate lasting, positive change.

Email parentsasteachers@pcautah.org for more information. There is currently no waitlist for Spanish or English speaking families.
Fingerprinting Services Resuming on August 25, 2020

Child Care Licensing has a great page online that will take you through the process of how to submit background check forms, fingerprints, & fees. [https://childcarelicensing.utah.gov/BgsHowTo.html](https://childcarelicensing.utah.gov/BgsHowTo.html)

Easy to understand information on what the Federal requirements are can be found on the Child Care Aware website: [http://childcareaware.org/providers/opening-a-new-child-care-program/required-background-checks/](http://childcareaware.org/providers/opening-a-new-child-care-program/required-background-checks/)

Please be aware that we are doing fingerprints by appointment only.
You can call our office at 801-626-7837 to schedule an appt or email us at careaboutchildcare@weber.edu.

For the time being, appointments will occur during our temporary office hours. Our office will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, between the hours of 9:00am and 2:30pm.
Call or email our office to check on availability.

If our schedule does not work for you or you would like to have your prints done closer to home/work, you can have your local public safety office do them for you. Click here to download a list of local public safety offices that can do the fingerprinting for you.
Child Care Licensing requires that the prints be submitted electronically, when contacting these agencies for more information, be sure to make sure they offer that service.

Child Care Licensing has compiled a list of agencies that offer live scan (electronic) fingerprint support. Follow this link to find their list.
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A face covering or mask will be required for all customers being fingerprinted. Please bring a mask or face covering to wear while being fingerprinted.

You will also be required to wash your hands/use hand sanitizer before being fingerprinted.

Please do not schedule an appointment if you have had any of the following symptoms within the past 24 hours, or if any of these symptoms arise, please call to cancel your appointment:
- Fever or Feeling Feverish (chills, sweating, etc.)
- Shortness of Breath
- Cough
- Sore Throat
- Loss of Taste or Smell
- Diarrhea
- Nausea
- Vomiting

Please do not schedule an appointment if within the past 14 days you have had close contact with an individual diagnosed with COVID-19, have traveled to an area where COVID-19 is spreading, or are under quarantine.

Only the person being fingerprinted should come to our office lobby. If multiple people come, we will ask they remain in the car or that they socially distance in the hall following Weber State policies.

We do have a reserved parking space next to our building. We will email directions to you when you make your appointment. Parking in any other stall may result in a parking ticket from Weber State.

Please call 801-626-7837 at your appointment time and someone from the CAC office will come and get you.

We are required to verify your identity. You must bring a government issued ID. (EX: Driver’s license, state ID card, Passport, or Military ID.) School ID’s will not be accepted.
Child Care Licensing Offers Free Training

Completion of Center Rules Trainings and Home Rule Trainings count towards required training hours and topics.

A current schedule of their training opportunities can be found on their website: childcarelicensing.utah.gov.

An online training series is also available to watch on your own time.

Kat Martinez is the trainer for the northern part of the state. You can contact her at 801-698-3244 or katmartinez@utah.gov.

CPR & First Aid Training Sources
CAC-WSU does not offer CPR & First Aid training. Listed below are some organizations and individuals that do. For more information, please call the number provided.

- American Red Cross: (Weber/Morgan/N Davis) 801-627-0000
  (S Davis) 801-323-7000
- American Heart Association: 1-877-242-4277
- US Training Council: 1-877-554-8500, extension 2
- Lakeview Hospital: 801-299-2249
- McKay Dee Hospital: 801-387-7800
- Bountiful City Fire Department 801-298-6230
- Steve Thorlakson: 801-201-0699
- Becky Erkkila: 801-678-4233
- Save-A-Heart: 801-582-7144
- Davis Hospital & Medical Center: 801-807-7023
- Ogden Regional Medical Center (CPR only): 801-479-2017
CAC - Weber State’s Training Policies

• **You must pre-register.** You can register for Care About Childcare - Weber State’s classes online at [cac.utah.gov](http://cac.utah.gov).

• **Registration for each class will close 3 days prior to the start of class.** No registrations will be accepted within a week of the class’ start date. This will give us time to prepare the right amount of materials.

• **We register for classes one quarter at a time.** You may register only for the classes listed in our current schedule. Each quarter’s class schedule can be found on our website ([weber.edu/cac](http://weber.edu/cac)). Training announcements are sent every September, December, March and June via email.

• **Sorry, we are not able to issue refunds at this time.**

• **If you are unable to attend a class, call before** the first session starts, and we will discuss your options. Please be sure to call during office hours Mon – Thu 7am-4:00pm, Fri 7pm - 1pm. You can reach us at 801-626-7837.

• Each 10 hour class is broken down into four sessions. If you miss one or two session(s) in a class, no money can be refunded. However, you can make it up when that session is taught again, without repaying.

• **To register for a make-up session with us,** contact us at 801-626-7837 or [careaboutchildcare@weber.edu](mailto:careaboutchildcare@weber.edu).

• **To register using a credit voucher,** contact us for a mail-in registration form. (801-626-7837 or [careaboutchildcare@weber.edu](mailto:careaboutchildcare@weber.edu)) These may have a limited availability for use.

• We need to have a minimum number of providers enrolled to conduct the class. **Classes, which don’t meet these minimum numbers one week before the class is scheduled to start, will be either cancelled or rescheduled.** We will notify you and send you a credit voucher for another class.

• **Classes may be canceled due to weather.** We follow Weber State University’s policies regarding this issue. If the campus is closed, our classes will be canceled. If not, classes will be held. You can call Weber State at 801-626-6000 to find out if the campus has been closed. We will also leave a message on our main phone line 801-626-7837. All classes canceled due to weather will be rescheduled.

• **Certificates emailed to participants within one week after the class ends.** If you do not receive a certificate within two weeks of the final session, contact our office at 801-626-7837. If you lose or delete your certificate.
CAC - WSU’s 2020 Fall Professional Development Calendar

Registration for classes takes place online through the Care About Childcare website (cac.utah.gov). You will need to log into your account in order to register. For step by step instructions on how to register online, go to the following webpage: https://careaboutchildcare.utah.gov/pub/OnlineRegistrationSteps.pdf. If you are not sure whether or not you have an account, try the reset password option or call our agency at 801-626-7837.

Schedule

A Great Place for Kids! Creating Positive Learning Environments
Saturdays: October 3 & 10      Time: 9am - 2:30pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Levels 2-3
Instructor: Ty Singleton
In this 10 hour course participants learn how to set up center and home-based child care programs to encourage play, exploration, and learning. Information is included on spaces and materials for block play, dramatic play, puzzles, games, books and literacy activities, art, sensory play, and outdoor play.

Infant & Toddler Care Course 3: Learning in Infancy & Toddlerhood
Tuesdays & Thursdays: October 13, 15, 20, & 22     Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Level 5 - 8, Infant Toddler Endorsement
Instructor: Kaia Ortega
In this 10 hour course participants explore how infants and toddlers learn. Areas of focus include: cognitive discoveries of infancy, the role of the caregiver in supporting learning, stages of infancy, and language development.

Family Child Care, Course 4: Professional & Business Practices-Revised 2012
Saturdays: October 17 & 24      Time: 9am - 2:30pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Levels 5 – 8, Family Child Care Endorsement
Instructor: Vivian Hardy
In this 10 hour course participants learn how to set up and maintain a professional home child care business. Emphasis will be placed on ethical behavior, contract development, record keeping, taxes and marketing a home child care program.

LOCATION:
Classes this quarter will be taught virtually using Zoom. You will receive an email the day before, or the day of the course with instructions and a link to join. You must participate through the use of a webcam.
School Readiness Standards, Course 3: Social & Emotional
Mondays & Wednesdays: October 19, 21, 26, & 28  Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Level 5 - 8, School Readiness Endorsement
Instructor: Kimberly Barrett
In this 10 hour course, based on Utah’s Early Childhood Core Standards, participants will learn how to effectively and appropriately foster preschooler’s social and emotional development for school readiness. Areas of focus include: self-esteem, temperament, self-regulation, emotions, guidance, problem-solving, and social studies.

Note: The Utah State Board of Education approved a new version of the Early Learning Standards: Ages 3-5 on May 7, 2020. The new standards will be phased in over the course of the 2020-21 academic year, with full implementation beginning in the 2021-22 academic year.

Care About Childcare will continue to offer the School Readiness courses based on the 2013 Early Learning Standards until June 2021. Care About Childcare will begin piloting an updated version of the School Readiness courses based on the 2020 Early Learning Standards in fall 2020. Please note that the updated School Readiness courses will cover different content areas than the 2013 courses in order to align with the updated content areas in the 2020 Early Learning Standards. Both the 2013 and 2020 versions of the School Readiness courses will count toward the School Readiness endorsement.

Child Development: Ages & Stages
Tuesdays & Thursdays: October 27, 29, November 3, & 5  Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Level 1
Instructor: Ty Singleton
In this 10 hour course participants learn about typical developmental milestones for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and school age children. Participants also learn basic strategies for working with each of these age groups of children.

The Director’s Toolbox, Course 3: A Great Place to Work & Inspiring Peak Performance
Mondays: November 2, 9, 16, & 23  Time: 6:30pm to 9pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Levels 5 – 8, Center Director’s Endorsement
Instructor: Janet Wahlquist
In this 10 hour course, participants will learn how to shape the quality of work life for staff and build teacher competence, strengthen staff commitment, and expand opportunities for collaboration.
Guidance & Emotional Wellness, Course 3: Promoting Social Emotional Competence
Saturdays: November 7 & 14       Time: 9am - 2:30pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours, 1 CEU
Career Ladder: Level 5 - 8, Guidance & Emotional Wellness Endorsement
Instructor: Kaia Ortega
In this 10 hour course participants will continue to learn about concepts developed by CSEFEL (Center for Social Emotional Foundations of Early Learning). They will explore development of positive teaching strategies for working with infants, toddlers, preschool children, and school-age children. They will also learn how doing observation and documentation supports healthy social/emotional development.

Special Needs, 3: Setting Up The Environment
Tuesdays & Thursdays: November 10, 12, 17, & 19       Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Levels 5 – 8, Special Needs Endorsement
Instructor: Kimberly Barrett
In this 10 hour course participants will learn how to set up the environment to maximize success when working with children who have special needs. Topics include creating an accessible environment, arranging the environment for learning, increasing the playability of toys and materials, using routines to teach, and teachable moments.

Emergency Preparedness
Saturday: November 21       Time: 9am - 2:30pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 5 Licensing hours, 5 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Levels 1-8
Instructor: Janet Wahlquist
Learn how to prepare for, survive during, and recover after an emergency situation to keep your child care thriving. Please bring a copy of your program’s Child Care Licensing Health and Safety Plan for reference throughout the course. A Resource Manual will be provided during the course; an online version with fillable forms is available on usu.edu/urpd under “Forms”.

LOCATION:
Classes this quarter will be taught virtually using Zoom. You will receive an email the day before, or the day of the course with instructions and a link to join. You must participate through the use of a webcam.
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All About Twos
Tuesday & Thursday: December 1 & 5   Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
AND Saturday: December 5             Time: 9am - 2:30pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours, 1 CEU
Career Ladder: Level 5-8, Infant Toddler Endorsement
Instructor: Kaia Ortega
This 10 hour course focuses on the unique needs of two year olds and how to be a successful caregiver to two year old children. Participants will learn how to promote language-cognitive-social and emotional development, and how to create an environment that supports two year old needs and caregiver sanity.

Child Development: Learning in the Early Years
Mondays & Wednesdays: December 7, 9, 14, & 16   Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: None
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Level 1
Instructor: Tressie Kearl
In this course participants explore how young children learn and develop. Areas of focus include: brain development, learning through play, supporting social and emotional development, and positive guidance.

Theory and Best Practices, Course 3: Piaget and Brain Development
Tuesdays & Thursdays: December 8, 10, 15, & 17   Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm
This class will be taught online via Zoom
Cost: $5
Credit: 10 Licensing hours, 10 CDA hours
Career Ladder: Level 5-8, Theory & Best Practice Endorsement
Instructor: Crystal Knippers
In this 10 hour course participants will gain an understanding of Piaget’s stages of cognitive development and why his core focus was about how people acquire, process and store knowledge. Participants will also learn about how the brain develops and how they can support healthy brain development in everyday child care practices.

LOCATION:
Classes this quarter will be taught virtually using Zoom. You will receive an email the day before, or the day of the course with instructions and a link to join. You must participate through the use of a webcam.