




2025



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	<div>1</div>  <a href="#">Infant Discovery Play</a> 9 – 9:45am	<div>2</div>  <a href="#">Summer Reading Kickoff and Storytime</a> 10-11am	<div>3</div>  <a href="#">Red, White, and Blue Snack and Craft Time</a> 10-11am <a href="#">The Dad Check-In Virtual</a> 7-8pm
<div>7</div>  <a href="#">Summer Story Time Series</a> 10:30 – 11:30am	<div>8</div>  <a href="#">Infant Discovery Play</a> 9 – 9:45am <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm	<div>9</div>  <a href="#">Drop-In Play Group</a> 10 – 11am	<div>10</div>  <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm
<div>14</div>  <a href="#">Summer Story Time Series</a> 10:30 – 11:30am  	<div>15</div>   <a href="#">Infant Discovery Play</a> 9 – 9:45am <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm	<div>16</div>  <a href="#">Popsicles at the Park</a> 9:30am – 11:00am	<div>17</div>   <a href="#">Lullaby Project Celebration</a> 10-11am <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm <a href="#">Family Options</a> 3:30 – 4:45pm <a href="#">The Dad Check In</a> 7-8pm <a href="#">Travel Activities for Children</a> (virtual) 7 p.m.
<div>21</div>  <a href="#">English for Life, Work, Family</a> 10am – 12pm <a href="#">Raising Resilient Kids</a> (virtual) 7 – 8 p.m.	<div>22</div>  <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm	<div>23</div>  <a href="#">English for Life, Work, Family</a> 10am – 12pm <a href="#">Creating a Traveling Kit for Kids</a> 1-2pm <a href="#">Family Appreciation Picnic</a> 5:30 – 7:00pm	<div>24</div>  <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm
<div>28</div>  <a href="#">English for Life, Work, Family</a> 10am – 12pm	<div>29</div>    <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm <a href="#">Under the Sea Learning Party</a> 12:30 – 1:30pm <a href="#">Brain Builders: Infant Years</a> (virtual) 1 p.m.	<div>30</div>  <a href="#">English for Life, Work, Family</a> 10am – 12pm	<div>31</div>   <a href="#">Social Skills Group</a> 10am – 12pm <a href="#">Dads in the Park</a> 5:30 – 6:30pm

### **Descriptions of Events**

**Summer Reading Kickoff!** Jumpstart your child's summer learning with our Summer Reading Kick-Off at the Family Support Center! Discover fun, hands-on ways to build your child's literacy skills at home all summer long. Families will receive a free literacy kit filled with simple, engaging activities. Join our Reading BINGO challenge—complete the board over the summer and return it in August for a special prize. Let's make reading fun, easy, and part of your summer routine! **Wednesday, July 2, 10 – 11 a.m. Register [here](#)**

**Infant Discovery Play:** Join us for a morning of tummy time and sensory activities for infants 0–12 months. Babies will explore simple, engaging activities that promote physical and cognitive development, while parents learn ways to continue the fun and growth at home! **Tuesdays; July 1 – July 15, 9 – 9:45 a.m. Register [here](#)**

**Summer Story Time Series:** Join us for Story Time Adventures—a fun weekly session with a story, a song, and a themed activity! It's a great way for young children to enjoy reading, get creative, and make new friends. **Mondays July 7 -14, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Register [here](#)**

**Drop in Play Group:** Children and their families are invited to explore and play at our Family Support Center! Parents must stay with their children. This is a great opportunity for children to meet new friends and parents to network! **Wednesday, July 9, 10 – 11a.m. Register [here](#)**

**Red, White, & Blue Snack and Craft Time:** Celebrate with us during a fun-filled **Red, White, and Blue** morning! Kids will create a festive craft and enjoy a themed snack while building skills and making memories. Perfect for young children, caregivers join the fun too! **Thursday, July 3, 10 – 11a.m. Register [here](#)**

**Social Skills Group:** A fun and interactive program led by experienced facilitators designed to help children develop essential social and emotional skills in a supportive and engaging environment. Weekly Themes: Emotional Regulation, Sharing and Cooperation, Active Listening, Personal Space and Proximity, Peer Engagement. Parents will receive training workshops while children participate in the social skills groups. **Tuesdays and Thursdays; July 8 – August 7, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Register [here](#)**

**Popsicles at the Park:** We are heading to the park! Meet us at Western Regional Park: 14800 Carrs Mill Rd, Cooksville, MD 21723 For a fun morning of playground time and popsicles! Pre-registration is encouraged but not required. **Wednesday, July 16, 9:30 – 11a.m. Register [here](#)**

**English for Life, Work, and Family:** Learn every day, practical English and develop skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing, and grammar. 12-week series. Childcare will be provided for children 0-5 years old. **Mondays and Wednesdays; July 21 – October 2, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Register [here](#)**

**Creating a Traveling Kit for Kids:** Planning a trip this summer? Whether you're flying, riding the rails, or hitting the road, this workshop will help you get ready! We'll create engaging, travel-friendly activities to keep your child busy and learning along the way. You'll also pick up useful tips, clever entertainment ideas, and practical advice to help make your journey smoother and more enjoyable for everyone.

**Wednesday, July 23, 1 – 2p.m. Register [here](#)**

**Under the Sea Learning Party:** Dive into a splash of fun with our ocean-themed learning party! Explore marine life through exciting water play, watch live feeds from the aquarium, and create colorful ocean-inspired crafts. Join us for an afternoon celebrating the wonders of life “under the sea” — perfect for curious kids and families ready to learn and play together!

**Tuesday, July 29, 12:30 – 1:30p.m. Register [here](#)**

**Family Appreciation Picnic:** We're thrilled to celebrate the amazing families who make our center special! Join us for an evening of delicious BBQ, fun outdoor games, exciting giveaways, and heartfelt recognition to honor the support and spirit of our community. Come relax, connect, and enjoy a night dedicated to you! **Wednesday, July 23, 5:30 – 7 p.m. Register [here](#)**

**Dads in the Park:** Join us on July 31st from 5:30-6:30pm at Lake Elkhorn Park for our 2nd annual pop-up event called Dads in the Park! Come out and enjoy an exciting afternoon as we celebrate fathers and their little ones, ages 0-5. This family friendly event features lawn games, delicious snacks, frozen treats and so much more! **Thursday, July 31, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Register [here](#)**

### **Virtual Workshops**

**Are We There Yet? Travel Activities for Children:** Traveling by plane, train, or automobile this summer? Join us as we prepare hands-on travel activities to keep your little ones engaged, learning and having fun while getting from “here to there.” Get tips on entertainment ideas, survival strategies and practical advice to help make your upcoming trip a success!

**Thursday, July 17, 7 to 8 p.m. Free virtual workshop, register [here](#)**

**Raising Resilient Kids:** Build your child's emotional resilience through everyday experiences and develop strong coping skills. Learn strategies to support your child as they navigate transitions and manage overwhelming emotions like worry, disappointment, failure, and sadness. Discover how to help your child prepare for challenges, regulate their feelings and bounce back with confidence and strength.

**Monday, July 21, 7 p.m. Free virtual workshop, register [here](#)**

**Brain Builders: Infant Years Optimizing Your Infant's Early Brain Development:** Babies are primed to start learning from the day they are born and there is ample science about how to support them during this critical time in their development. Gain an understanding of an infant's developing brain and how simple daily interactions and activities are the learning moments that support those brain

connections. Learn how creating a secure attachment with your baby helps to create effective learning pathways. Explore the many resources in the community that will support your family on this developmental journey to help ensure that your baby starts off with a healthy and strong beginning. **Tuesday, July 29, 1 p.m. Free virtual workshop, register [here](#)**

**The Dad Check In:** Join us on the first and third Thursday of the month for a one hour virtual meet up on where dads with children ages 0-5 connect, share, and support one another in a safe, welcoming space. It's your time to recharge, laugh and build community with other awesome dads. **Thursdays; July 3 & 17, 7-8 p.m. Register [here](#)**

**Questions? Contact Family Support Center Director Ashton Sullivan [asullivan@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:asullivan@howardcountymd.gov) 410-313-5987**

**To register use the QR Code:**

**<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/family-support-center>**



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