

HOW I CAN BE MORE ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH MY CHILD'S SCHOOL?

- ☑ Attend back-to-school nights, student exhibitions and other school events. Get to know the teachers and other school personnel. Listen to their plans, know what they hope to accomplish with their students, and understand why they chose these goals.
- ☑ Attend parent organization meetings. Voice your hopes and concerns for your child and for the school. Help organize parent-teacher meetings around your interests and those of other parents.
- ☑ Offer to tutor students. If you are comfortable with technology, volunteer to be a computer tutor for both students and teachers, or ask if there are other ways that you can help the school to use technology.
- ☑ Offer to help in the office or the cafeteria or to chaperone field trips and other outside events.
- ☑ Agree to serve on parent and community advisory groups to your school. They may consider everything from school policies and programs to the kinds of parent involvement activities the school plans.
- ☑ Work in a parent resource center or help start one. In these school centers, parents may gather informally, borrow materials on parenting and children's schoolwork, and get information about community services.
- ☑ If you are unable to volunteer in the school, look for ways to help at home: Call other parents to tell them about school-related activities, edit the school



newsletter or make educational materials for teachers. If you are bilingual, help translate school materials or interpret for non-English speaking parents in your school.



¿CÓMO PUEDO PARTICIPAR MÁS ACTIVAMENTE EN LA ESCUELA DE MI HIJO?

- ☑ Asista a las reuniones de principio del año escolar, las exposiciones de los estudiantes y otros eventos de la escuela. Conozca a los maestros y al otro personal de la escuela. Escuche sus planes, infórmese de lo que esperan lograr con sus estudiantes, y trate de comprender por qué eligieron esos objetivos.
- ☑ Asista a las reuniones de organizaciones de padres. Haga oír sus esperanzas y preocupaciones por su hijo y por la escuela. Ayude a organizar reuniones entre los padres y los maestros para abordar sus propios intereses y los de los otros padres.
- ☑ Ofrézcase como tutor de estudiantes. Si se siente cómodo con la tecnología, ofrézcase como voluntario para dar instrucción individualizada sobre la computación tanto a los estudiantes como a los maestros, o pregunte si hay otras maneras en que puede ayudar a la escuela a aprovechar la tecnología.
- ☑ Ofrezca ayudar en la dirección de la escuela con asuntos administrativos, en la cafetería o acompañando a los estudiantes en las excursiones para supervisarlos y en otros eventos fuera de la escuela.
- ☑ Integre grupos asesores de la comunidad o de padres en su escuela. Estos grupos pueden considerar temas que van desde las políticas o reglas y los programas de la escuela hasta los tipos de actividad con participación de los padres que la escuela piensa organizar.
- ☑ Trabaje en un centro de recursos para padres o ayude a crear uno. En estos centros escolares, los padres se reúnen informalmente, piden prestados materiales sobre la educación y sobre la tarea de sus hijos y obtienen información sobre los servicios disponibles en la comunidad.
- ☑ Si usted no puede ofrecerse como voluntario en la escuela, determine de qué manera puede ayudar en casa: Llame a otros padres para contarles de las actividades relacionadas con la escuela, edite el boletín de la escuela o elabore materiales educativos para los maestros. Si usted es bilingüe, ayude a traducir los materiales de la escuela o interprete para los padres no angloparlantes en su escuela.



NEW GUERNEVILLE PRESCHOOL OPENING AUGUST 21st

We are excited to announce that RCCS will be opening two new preschools. The preschool on the campus of Guerneville Elementary School opened August 21st. The preschool on the campus of Analy High School in Sebastopol is slated for a mid-September opening.

In addition, we will continue to operate our preschools at Monte Rio Elementary School and Montgomery Elementary School in Cazadero. Enrollment is open now and funding is available for qualified families!

For more information or enrollment call
Melanie Wainwright: (707) 869-3613 x155

PRESCHOOL
On the campus of ANALY HIGH SCHOOL

FULL-TIME & PART-TIME
PLACES AVAILABLE
(Funding for qualified families)
ENROLLING NOW
(707) 869-3613

Run by River to Coast Children's Services and partnering with
West Sonoma County Union High School District

**STARS PRESCHOOLS
ENROLLING
FAMILIES NOW!!**

River to Coast Children's Services is enrolling families NOW in the Monte Rio STARS Preschool Program and enrolling for Fall in the Guerneville STARS Preschool Program.

Full time & part time slots available.
Private pay and subsidized families welcome.
MONDAY - FRIDAY, 8:30 AM TO 5 :30 PM
Ranuras de tiempo completo y tiempo parcial disponibles. Pago privado y las familias subsidiadas bienvenidos.

River to Coast Children's Services esta inscribiendo familias para las escuelas prescolares en Monte Rio y Guerneville.

Call/Llame at 869-3613 for an application.
FUNDING IS AVAILABLE NOW.
Llame y pida una aplicacion.
LOS FONDAS ESTAN DISPONIBLES AHORA.

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River To Coast Children's Services Upcoming Provider Workshops

- September 2013, Date TBA
"What does the future hold for family child care providers, families and young children?"
 Speaker: Alfredo Perez Executive Director First 5 Sonoma County
 - October 2103, Date TBA
"Nutrition and Cooking with Young Children"
 Presented by Patience Foster. See some great Montessori cooking tools and enjoy Patience's cooking fun! Bring some ideas and recipes to share. I will be the official "Taster" to let you know how it turns out.
 - November 2013, Date TBA
"Providers Bring It"
 When asked at the "Provider Appreciation" what you would like to have for workshops I got some great suggestions. You asked for everything from more art, theme ideas, Qand A night, "What works well for other providers", SCOE recommendations for School Readiness, Creative outdoor games, Montessori or Regio Emmelia ideas, trouble shooting problem behavior, and provider lead workshops. I am in the process of sorting this out so that we are staying within the CCIP requirements for the modules, foundations, and curriculum Framework. I think we can do this. Let's keep talking. I love it that this is so interactive. Thanks for your fabulous ideas and feedback. You are the greatest! Mendy 4 groups of providers have stations in the room where they will present activities and ideas in areas of curriculum i.e. Art, Science, Math, or....?
 - December 11, 2013
"School Readiness Revisited."
 Ask a panel of Kindergarten teachers about what they expect for school readiness. What you can do to help prepare children and parents for the big transition from childcare to school days. There is some new information in the works from SCOE.
- For more information call
Mendy at 869-3613 ext 117

Preschool Hours of Operation for 2012-2013

- Guerneville: 7:30 AM-5:30PM
- Monte Rio: 8:30AM-Noon
- Montgomery: 8:30AM - Noon Tuesdays and Thursdays only
- Analy: Opening early September, hours will be 7:30AM -5:30PM

Calendar September 2013 Septiembre Calendario

- ◆ 9/2: LABOR DAY, OFFICE CLOSED ** OFICINA CERRADA
- ◆ 9/2 & 3: NO KINDERGYM IN GUERNEVILLE
- ◆ 9/4: Kindergym in Forestville
- ◆ 9/5: Attendance sheets due in RCCS by 5 PM / Hoy es el día límite de las Hojas de Asistencia a las 5 PM
- ◆ 9/9 & 10: Kindergym in Guerneville
- ◆ 9/10: Padres Abriendo Caminos (PAC) se reúne a las 6:00 PM en RCCS. Por favor llamar a Soledad al 707-869-3613 x 107
- ◆ 9/11: Kindergym in Forestville
- ◆ 9/12: Kindergym in Bodega Bay
- ◆ 9/16 & 17: Kindergym in Guerneville
- ◆ 9/18: Kindergym in Forestville
- ◆ 9/23 & 24: Kindergym in Guerneville CCCCC
- ◆ 9/25: Kindergym in Forestville
- ◆ 9/25: Board of Directors meeting / Mesa Directiva de RCCS se reúne, 6:00 PM at RCCS
- ◆ 9/25: Outreach Committee meeting 5:00 PM at RCCS / El comité de publicidad de RCCS se reúne de 5:00 PM en RCCS
- ◆ 9/30 & 10/1: Kindergym in Guerneville



Ongoing Children's Activities from RCCS:

Kindergym:

- ☑ River to Coast Children's Services brings Kindergym to Forestville on Wednesday 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Held at the Forestville United Methodist Church, 6550 Covey Road in downtown Forestville. A bilingual program, features activities for children 0 to 5 years (accompanied by their care givers) FREE, but donations are accepted, Call 707.869.3613 for current schedule or check the current RCCS newsletter online at www.rccservices.org
- ☑ River to Coast Children's Services offers Kindergym Monday and Tuesday mornings 9:45 AM to 12:20 PM in Guerneville at the Guerneville Vets' Hall, located on the corner of 1st and Church Streets in downtown Guerneville. Features activities for children 0 to 6 years (accompanied by their care givers). FREE, but donations are accepted! Call 707.869.3613 for current schedule or check the current RCCS newsletter online at www.rccservices.org
- ☑ NEW! River to Coast Children's Services offers Kindergym in Bodega Bay 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Held at the Bodega Bay Union Church, 1320 Bayview St. Features activities for children 0 to 5 years (accompanied by their care givers) FREE, but donations are accepted, Call 707.869.3613 for current schedule or check the current RCCS newsletter online at www.rccservices.org



ALGUNOS PUNTOS DE NUESTRA POLIZA DE REFERENCIAS

La poliza de referencias de RIVER TO COAST CHILDREN'S SERVICES respeta la preferencia de los padres. La responsabilidad de escoger el cuidado de niños es de los padres. Asistimos a los padres a encontrar la variedad más amplia de cuidado de niños que se ofrece y ofrecemos información para evaluar el cuidado de niños. Una recomendación de RCCS no significa una garantía de calidad. Les pedimos a los padres que hagan una entrevista cuidadosa y que examinen las recomendaciones antes de que dejen un niño al cuidado de otra persona.

Padres que están buscando información acerca de quejas previas de una casa o centro con licencia para cuidar niños, pueden llamar a Community Care Licensing tel. 588-5026.

Para registrar una queja llamen al mismo número al River to Coast Children's Services. 707.869-3613.

OUR REFERRAL POLICY

RIVER TO COAST CHILDREN'S SERVICES' referral policy is based on respecting parental choice. Responsibility for selecting child care rests with each parent. RCCS assists parents in finding the widest range of available child care and offers information to help families evaluate available child care options. A RIVER TO COAST CHILDREN'S SERVICES referral is not a recommendation or a guarantee of quality care. Parents should carefully interview and check references of potential child care providers before leaving a child in their care.

For Information on all licensed family child care homes and centers call Community Care Licensing at 707.588.5026

River to Coast Children's Services. 707.869-3613. info@rccservices.org / www.rccservices.org

Visit us on Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/River-to-Coast-Childrens-Services/229456943781488>



Thanks to the Russian River Rotarians, Andy Hilldale and the Metropolitan Community Church of The Redwood Empire for providing BACKPACKS full of back-to-school supplies for children in need.

The kids put them right into action!



**River to
Coast
Children's
Services**

Resources, Referrals & Support ❖ Recursos, Referencias y Apoyo

P.O. Box 16
Guerneville, CA 95446

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Sirviendo el Oeste del Condado de Sonoma con:

- Referencias para el Cuidado de Niños
- Recursos para los Niños y sus Familias
- Apoyo para los Proveedores del Cuidado de Niños
- Ayuda Monetaria para el Cuidado de Niños
- Programa de suministros de Emergencia
- Gimnasio para Niños en Guerneville, Forestville y Bodega Bay
- Programa de Asientos de Seguridad
- Programa de Conserjería
- Prescolar

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Serving west Sonoma County with:

- Help paying for child care
- Referrals for child care
- Resources for children and their families
- Support & Training for child care providers
- Emergency Resources Program
- Kindergym in Guerneville, Forestville and Bodega Bay
- Car Safety Seat Program
- Counseling Program for children and their families
- Preschools

HAVING A FAMILY PARTY OR EVENT?

Why not rent the Veterans Hall: our auditorium can seat up to 250 people and hourly rates start as low as \$51 at the weekend. We also have a kitchen and smaller meeting rooms available.

For more info call David (707) 604-7725



guerneville veterans **hall**
a project of River to Coast Children's Services

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Need Help Paying For Child Care?

River to Coast Children's Services is enrolling eligible families NOW in both the preschools and other subsidy programs !



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Family Size Tamaño de Familia	income per month ingresos por mes
2	\$3,218
3	\$3,518
4	\$3,908
5	\$4,534

Call/Llama 869-3613

for an application- Funding is available now.

Llame y pida una aplicacion- los fondos estan disponibles ahora.

¿Necesita ayuda para pagar por el cuidado de sus niños?

River to Coast Children's Services esta matriculando familias que sean elegibles para los prescolares y otros programas de subsidio para cuidado de niños.



guerneville veterans hall
 a project of River to Coast Children's Services

THE NEW VETS HALL WEBSITE IS UP @
<http://www.guernevillevetshall.org/>
& NEW VETS HALL FACEBOOK PAGE:
<http://www.facebook.com/GuernevilleVeteransHall>

Sisters Bingo

Under the Sea Bingo on August 9 was a fundraiser for RCCS. The great news is that the event raised over \$2000 to support our agency. THANK YOU!



New Chairs & Tables

We are really excited to announce that the Community Foundation Sonoma County awarded us a \$4500 grant to begin purchasing new chairs and tables for the hall.

100 beautiful new chairs and 10 round tables have now been delivered so come on down and give them a try.

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**ATTENTION ALL CHILD CARE PROVIDERS:
A FREE RESOURCE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION FROM CDE**



**California Department of Education
California Early Childhood Online
www.caearlychildhoodonline.org**



Welcome to California Early Childhood Online! We are excited to invite you to register for and enroll in courses today! Come explore the offerings! As you become familiar with the site please refer to the frequently asked questions below for clarification.

Why is the registration process so lengthy?

This is a one-time process. Teachers fill out the long form of the Child Development Division Profile Form online once. When logging in later, participants will not need to fill it out again. An opportunity to get a work force registry number is also available. Eventually it is expected that the workforce registry and the Early Childhood Database will be able to share data. Although this makes the registration process a little longer, it also makes retrieval of information possible. Continued funding for projects such as these require documentation and reports.

Teachers can access this without going through the whole registration process. Why bother to complete the registration form?

Logging in through the website makes it possible to see what courses have been taken, what's in progress and what is available. If teachers don't complete the registration form enrollment data cannot be retrieved.

What is the cost of the courses?

Courses such as the Introduction to the DRDP and Foundations and Frameworks that were developed by the California of Education are offered free of charge. Others that are run by other organizations such as the Environment Rating Scales Overview may have a fee.

Why aren't the courses offered in other languages?

Courses will be offered in other languages. The Environment Rating Scale Overview will be offered in Spanish, as well as the DRDP courses. Once the Foundations are translated into Spanish, those courses will also be offered in Spanish.

River to Coast Children's Services

Staff and their phone number extensions.

(707) 869-3613

(toll free calling from the Sonoma Coast 1-800-994-3613)

- Jynx Lopez (Executive Director) 111
- Andy Hilldale (Bookkeeper) 106
- Soledad Cardona (Lead Family Case Manager, Senior NHTSA Certified Car Safety Seat Technician) 107
- Ana Martinez (Family Case Manager) 109
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- Jayme Melum (P/S Program Director) 105
- Elaina Boyce (Community Resources & Referral Coordinator) 104
- Jon Carrozza (Reception & R&R Counselor) 101
- David Cameron (Program Manager - Vets Hall) (707) 604-7725
- Counseling Intern, call 869-3613 to set up an appointment

Register NOW

**SPANISH CLASSES at the Monte Rio Community Center
for Fall Session/ Spanish Conversation Classes Adult**

Small, conversational Spanish classes taught by Hilary Moore; credentialed, experienced, bilingual teacher

Current Class openings:

Mid Beginners Level A.2: Mon. 5:30 - 6:30pm

req: speak very simply in present tense

Continuing enrollment each month: Register for the next session beginning September 23, 2013.

Tuition = \$13 per class, paid monthly.

For more information or to register call: 707 824 8467

All new students must register by phone [Due to vacation, Call before 8/17/13 or after 9/18/13]. The teacher is Hilary Moore, M.Ed., BCLAD, who learned Spanish as a teen while living in Mexico, became a bilingual teacher, and now teaches adult Spanish classes.

Classes are kept small [9 max] to ensure individual attention and lots of practice. The classes are conversational. The instructor specializes in Learning modes as well as Language, so if you have not had success in large groups, this will be a much different experience! We also have fun! The classes include games, soap operas, songs, cards, and more.