

Dear BVS Families,

As we continue to navigate through this uncertain times we wanted to update you on what's been going on here at BVS. Currently, our numbers are low but our spirits are high as we continue to support our immediate BVS community. We are still here laughing, playing and enjoying all early childhood has to offer.

On Friday, March 27th, the State of New Hampshire required Early Childhood Programs to apply to the Emergency Child Care Program (ECCP) in order to be open and operate during this period. On Thursday, April 2nd BVS received the notification that our application was accepted, and we will be able to remain open during this time. We are hopeful this acknowledgement will open up resources for our teachers and our center.

Under this program and in order for our center to continue through this time, we will be offering temporary care to "essential workers" as defined by the State of NH. We have attached the list of essential workers for you to review. DHHS, Child Care Aware of NH, and other state entities will be helping essential employees to find care options, which may include us here at BVS. These families will be provided with TEMPORARY contracts which as of now will extend until April 30th. Depending on how the situation continues to unfold, this date may change.

If your family is deemed essential, please know that starting on April 13th we will resume our normal business hours of 7am to 5:00pm. **We ask that you connect with us by April 8th if this change in hours can help your situation and you would like your child to attend as an essential employee.** If you are continuing to social distance during this time, we will plan to see you on May 4th, as your spot will be temporarily offered to a needing family.

As you know things have been changing rapidly and unexpectedly, we appreciate your patience as we continue to work through the unknown. If you have any questions about enrollment or need to change your enrollment status. Please reach out to Donna via phone or email.

We want to remind you to continue looking at our Google Drive, YouTube Station, and Closed Facebook Group as we try to add new content often.

We hope you are all happy and healthy and we miss you all tremendously!

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