



JANUARY 2018



## Message from the Director

Dear Greenwood Families,

I want to thank everyone who helped support MCCA's 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Giving Project last month. This year was another successful event thanks to your generosity. I know we are all so busy so I just wanted to let you all know how much I appreciate your support, and how you all have made a difference in this holiday season for so many families.

All the best,

-Aaron S.

## What's New



I would like to remind all the Greenwood families that, while MCCA does offer drop-ins on a space available basis, drop-ins must be requested and approved ahead of time. Due to both the before and aftercare programs being full this year, the drop-in option may not always be available. If you would like to request a drop-in for a day your child is not registered to attend the program, please either call or email at least 24 hours ahead of time.

## Important Reminders

### INFORMING US IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT

If your child is not going to be coming to before or aftercare, please remember to let us know in advance. It is important that we know if a child will not be returning to the program in the afternoon, so please feel free to email me at [aaron.schulman@mccaedu.org](mailto:aaron.schulman@mccaedu.org) or leave a message on the Greenwood center phone at 301-774-2590.

### TOYS FROM HOME

Children are permitted to bring toys from home on **Fridays** and **No School Days**. Please do not send your children to before or aftercare with toys from home on any other days. Electronics, such as tablets and gaming devices, are only permitted on **No School Days**.

### INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather resulting in a change to the school day, an email will be sent out to all families informing them of any schedule changes affecting MCCA, once MCPS has made their decision. Additionally, the center's voicemail message will be adjusted to reflect any schedule changes.



## Upcoming Dates

### **DATES TO NOTE IN JANUARY:**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> – MCPS CLOSED – MCCA WILL BE CLOSED**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> – MCPS EARLY RELEASE – MCCA WILL BE OPEN**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> – MCPS CLOSED – MCCA WILL BE OPEN**

## Suggested Resources and Reading

<http://www.stopbullying.gov/image-gallery/what-you-need-to-know-infographic.html>

**Stopbullying.gov** is a great resource for both learning about and understanding the root causes of bullying. It provides reliable statistics about the prevalence and impact of bullying nationwide, as well as useful strategies to help recognize and prevent it.

<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/Pages/default.aspx>

**Healthychildren.org** is a fantastic resource for parents with children of all ages. It offers information about all aspects of children's health and resources to help children develop healthier living habits.

<http://centerforparentingeducation.org/library-of-articles/child-development/temperament-overview/>

<http://curiouschef.com/healthy-eating/blog/8-tips-keep-kids-healthy-winter-season/>