Child Care at Legacy

Parent Survey Results are Here!

We are so excited to share that we scored a **95**% satisfaction rate for our center's parent survey. Thank you to all of the parents that took the time to complete the survey. After reviewing your feedback, we read about all the things you love about our center. In addition, we will also continue to work with our vendor on adding new items to the menu and improving communication when children are in the process of transitioning.

We're Planning for the Summer!

Each spring current Bright Horizons families are given the opportunity to complete a form providing vacation plans for the summer and fall enrollment. This provides our program with beneficial information that allows us to approve teacher vacation time off and also assures a smooth transition into the fall. Please look for the form to come out in an email soon and return it to the front desk as soon as you can. If you do not know your plans for the summer at that time, please notify the center as soon as you are able.

Important Dates

Teacher Appreciation WeekMay 1-5

Kindergarten Prep Science Fair May 10

Scholastic Book Fair

May 26 – June 2

Center Closed: Memorial Holiday

May 29

Kindergarten Prep End of Year Celebration

June 2

Reasons to Celebrate

Happy Anniversary Ms. Marie for 17 years of Service with Bright Horizons

Happy Birthday

Ms. Alicia, May 12 Ms. Chand, May 14 Ms. Kip, May 29

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CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS



Pajama Day

Week of the Young Child Activities

The Week of the Young Child™ is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) celebrating early learning, young children, their teachers and families. Check out pictures of how we celebrated this year. For more pictures, visit our website at www.brighthorizons.com/legacy and click on the photo album labeled *Week of the Young Child* after May 5th. We had a ball!



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READY FOR SCHOOL NEWS

Transition Tactics

Change is in the air and spring is finally here. Families are planning vacations and considering camps, and some children will be moving to new classrooms or even to a different school. Children (and many adults) thrive on predictability. The possibility of change often challenges children's sense of safety and security. Transitions are learning times that open doors to new opportunities. Below are tips to help children and parents transition to new experiences.

- **Be aware of your comfort level.** Children are active perceivers. They sense our concern and hesitation, read our every cue and react to adult unspoken emotions. If it's a new classroom, get to know the teachers and learn about the expectations and routines. Once you feel comfortable with the new situation, you will relay the message that this is a safe, fun place.
- Give children information. Talk about what is going to happen, where your child will be going, who will be going with them, and what will happen along the way. Be as informative as ages and stages allow. Explain what will be different, mention the fun activities they will be able to do in the new class, and equally important, discuss things that will remain the same.
- Read books about similar experiences. Maybe children will be going on an airplane, visiting
 relatives, enjoying a family vacation, moving to a new classroom, or going off to kindergarten.
 Reading stories about similar experiences are a dynamic way to familiarize children with upcoming
 new experiences.
- Empower children by making them part of the process. Children don't choose their class placement, but they can decide what color backpack to buy, help plan a new morning ritual, or draw pictures, bake cookies, or collect flowers for the new teachers.
- Know your child, and realize that each child's response is different. Children's reactions to transition depend upon their age, temperament and experience; some are cautious while others might embrace it with "Hello world, here I come."

Transitions are family affairs at Bright Horizons. Remember that becoming comfortable in new situations is an ongoing process, not just a single event. Please access the following eFamily News articles for more detailed information and support:

- www.brighthorizons.com/efam-transitions
- www.brighthorizons.com/movingtotoddlers



TEACHER APPRECIATION

Make a Teacher's Day!

The greatest reward a teacher or staff member receives is knowing that they have made a difference in the lives of children and families. Each year Bright Horizons dedicates the month of May as a time to celebrate and recognize all of the teachers and staff who make this such a wonderful place for children and families.

Our teachers, support staff, and leadership team work hard to make our center – and your child's experience here – the very best it can be. Help us celebrate them!

Your thoughts make a difference – and mean a lot to all of us. Take a moment to share any stories, comments, and well wishes for those who touch your family's life each day.

We invite you to visit our Teacher & Staff Appreciation Website at appreciation.brighthorizons.com. Here, you can leave a special note of appreciation for your child's teacher or exceptional staff member. The website will be open from May 1st through May 31st.



BRIGHT HORIZONS NEWS

Connect with Bright Horizons!



The Family Room

On the blog, you'll find parenting tips, advice and tales of work/life challenges – the ordinary and not-so-ordinary moments in the journey of working parenthood.

blogs.brighthorizons.com/familyroom



Facebook

On Bright Horizons' Facebook page, see our curriculum in action, learn about Bright Horizons news & events, and find the latest parenting tips and articles from our bloggers and education experts. Search Facebook for your local center's Facebook page!

www.facebook.com/brighthorizons



Instagram

Connect with @BrightHorizons on Instagram to see some of our favorite photos of center activities, pictures shared with us by our families, as well as tips and advice from our education experts and parent bloggers.

www.instagram.com/brighthorizons



Pinterest

On Bright Horizons' Pinterest page, you'll find a whole host of ideas including tips for organizing your home, fun and easy birthday celebration ideas, and activities for growing little learners.

www.pinterest.com/brighthorizons



Twitter

Bright Horizons (@BrightHorizons) is the official Bright Horizons Family Solutions Twitter handle for company news & working parents/workplace trends.

Follow @BHParenting for parenting & early education news, and live-streams of our parent webinars. twitter.com/brighthorizons / twitter.com/bHParenting

Join us! Our next parent webinar, A Parent's Guide to STEM Education, is taking place on Tuesday, April 25th. Our Social Media Team will be live-tweeting.

Use #BHParentWebinar to join the conversation!

