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Winter 2023– Spring 2023
Austin Public Schools
Early Childhood
Family Education

A large, detailed black snowflake illustration is positioned in the bottom left corner of the page.

CLC Online Class Store opens on
Monday, December 12th

New Student Registration Information

In order to register for ECFE classes- you must enroll in Austin Public Schools. You can do this at any time!

ECFE <https://www.austin.k12.mn.us/district-offices/enrollment-office/early-childhood-enrollment/ecfe-enrollment>

Enrollment process can take up to 1 business day to process.

Once you have officially enrolled in our school district- you will have access to the CLC Store. Please choose the correct class offerings through the CLC Store.

Please note- once you have enrolled you may also call our office at (507)-460-1709 and ask us to register your child in a class.



Current Student Registration Information

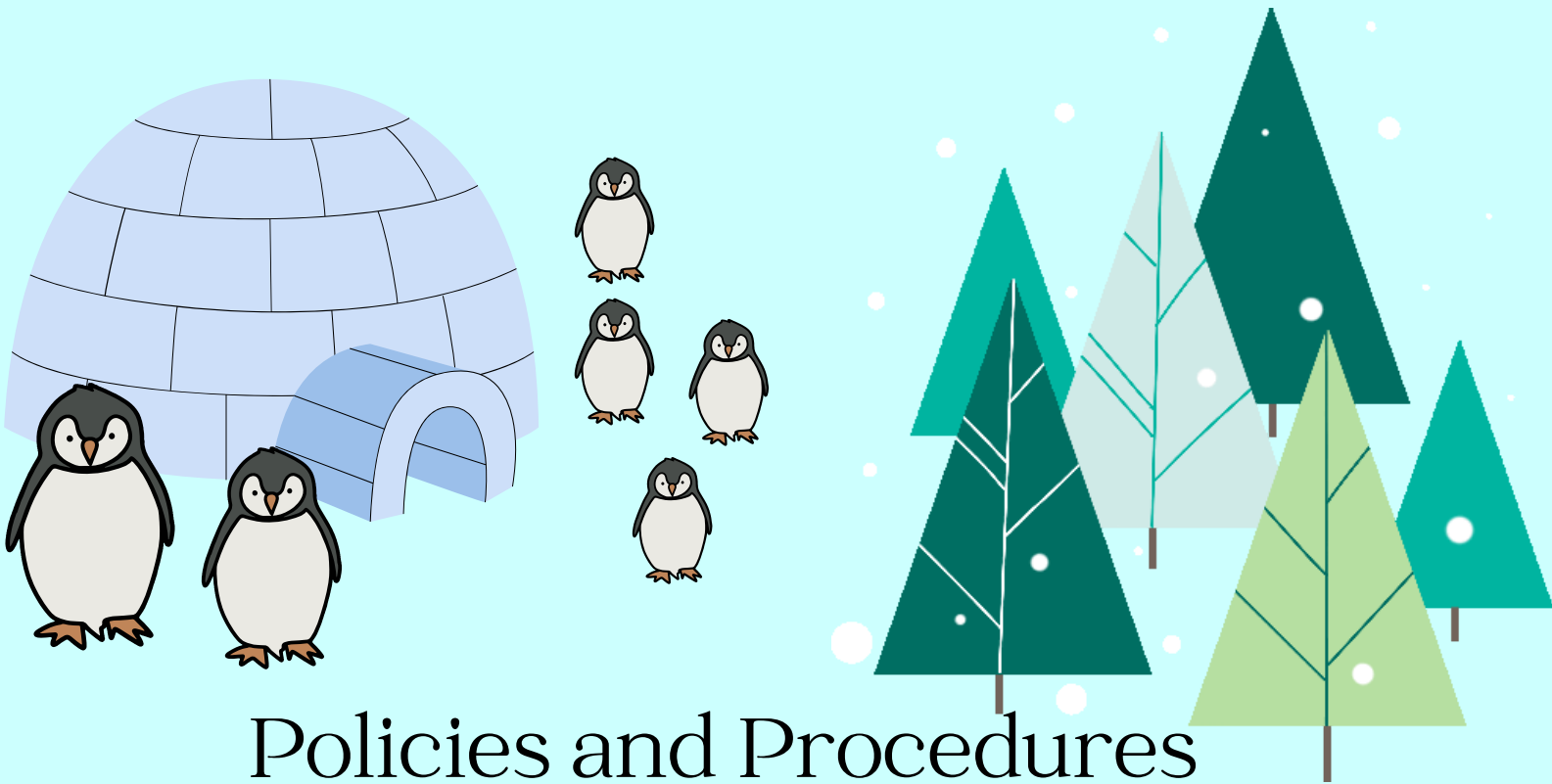
If you have already enrolled your child in Austin Public Schools please log into your Infinite Campus Parent Portal. <https://austinmn.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/parents/austin.jsp>

Once logged in you should see the CLC Store and be able to register for any of our classes. If for some reason- you do not see the CLC Store- please contact us at (507)-460-1709 and we will assist!



Weather Policy

- * When Austin Public Schools is delayed due to weather, morning ECFE classes before 11:00 am are cancelled. Afternoon and evening classes will be held as scheduled.
- * When Austin Public Schools closes early, all classes scheduled to begin after 11:00 am are cancelled.
- * When Austin Public Schools is closed there are no ECFE classes.



Policies and Procedures

Sibling Care will only be offered during our Baby Connection Class at this time. There are three classes scheduled that are Birth-5 Year Olds to support families who do not have additional care for their children during class time!

COVID

Please note that we will be following CDC, MDH and APS recommendations for safety procedures.



NON-SEPARATING BABY CLASSES

BABY CONNECTIONS

Ages: Birth-12 Months


Cost: FREE

Being a parent is a time of excitement and wonder. This class will include adjustments to parenting, attachment, sleep, feeding, play and development.

Dates: Mondays, January 9th-May 15th
from 11:15am-12:15pm

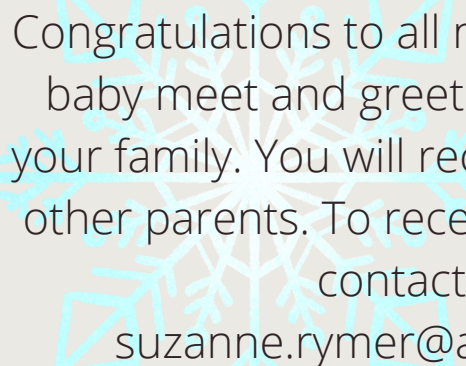
OR

Tuesdays, January 10th-February 28th
from 4:00pm-5:00pm



Sibling Care is available for Baby Connections. You must call (507)-460-1709 to register for Sibling Care!

Free Baby Bags



Congratulations to all new parents! To celebrate you, ECFE invites you to a baby meet and greet to discover all the resources we have for you and your family. You will receive a bag of goodies filled with things designed by other parents. To receive your baby bag and set up your meet and greet, contact Parent Educator, Suzanne Rymer at suzanne.rymer@austin.k12.mn.us or (507)-460-1700, ext. 4961.

TODDLER CLASSES

Tiny Tots

Ages: 11–23 Months

Cost: \$60 per family

Young toddlers love to play and explore as long as parents are near. The ECFE room offers lots of fun opportunities for exploration and discovery. Children learn through play while you discuss toddler parenting topics in another part of the room. This is a non-separating class.

Dates: Mondays, January 9th–May 15th
from 8:30am–9:45am



Tremendous Twos

Ages: 24–35 months

Cost: \$60 per family

Two-year olds are filled with wonder and excitement. Explore fun and creative ways to enjoy parenting and playing with your children. Parent education time takes place in a separate room and will include topics chosen by the parents. This is a separating class.

Dates: Tuesdays, January 10th–May 16th
from 8:30am–10:00am

MULTI-AGE CLASSES

Flourishing Families

Ages: Birth-5 Years Old

Cost: \$60 per family

Parents and children will explore a wide variety of activities together to stimulate all senses. Class activities will be designed around the ages of the children enrolled and the interests of the families. This is a non-separating class.

Dates: Wednesdays, January 11th-May 17th from 8:30am-9:45am

Multi-lingual Flourishing Families

Ages: Birth-5 Years Old

Cost: \$60 per family

Parents and children will explore a wide variety of activities together to stimulate all senses. Class activities will be designed around the ages of the children enrolled and the interests of the families. This is a non-separating class.

Dates: Thursdays, January 12th-May 18th from 9:00am-10:30am

Flourishing Families Night

Ages: Birth–5 Years Old

Cost: \$30 per family

Discover fun in the ECFE classroom and great outdoors (weather permitting). Meet new friends and join us for music, art, science, story, play and parent time! This is a non-separating class.

Dates: Tuesdays, January 31st, February 28th, March 28th and April 25th from 5:30pm–6:45pm



Friday Family Fun Day!

Age: Birth–5 Years Old

Cost: \$60 per family

Time: 8:30am–9:30am

See specific
details on next
page!

Dates:

January 13th: Art at Southgate

January 20th: Nature Center

January 27th: MacPhail

February 3rd: Art at Southgate

February 10th: Nature Center

February 24th: MacPhail

March 3rd: Art at Southgate

March 17th: Nature Center

March 24th: MacPhail

*March 31st: Art at Southgate

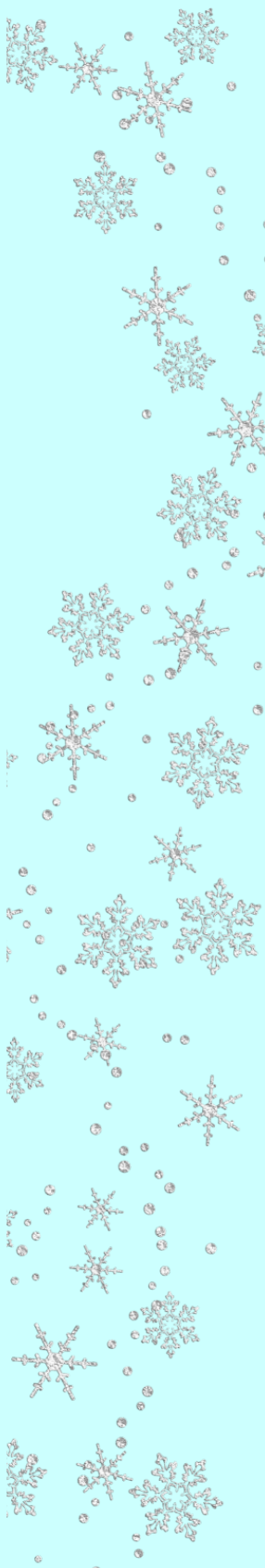
April 14th: Nature Center

April 21st: MacPhail

April 28th: Art at Southgate

May 5th: Nature Center

May 12th: MacPhail



Friday Family Fun Descriptions

Creations at Southgate:

Join us for fun, creative make and take projects in our ECFE classroom at Southgate Elementary School

MacPhail:

Sing, Play, Learn classes will be held at MacPhail Center for Music and will be taught by MacPhail staff and ECFE staff.

Nature Center:

Observe the seasonal changes from Winter to Spring. Discover the great outdoors during each class. Dress for all kinds of MN weather.

3 Building Blocks of ECFE

- **Together Time:** Class begins with parent/child activities designed to enhance your child's learning. You will also get ideas for things you can do together at home.
- **Parents' Time:** Parents participate in a discussion led by a licensed parent educator. The discussion is based on Minnesota Department of Education's Core Curriculum areas of parent development, parent-child relationship, early childhood development and culture and community.
- **Children's Time:** While parents are in the discussion group, children are learning through activities designed by a licensed Early Childhood teacher to help them grow and develop socially, emotionally, cognitively, physically, and in their communication skills.

Census Information Needed

Are you new to the community and have young children? Was your baby born someplace other than the Austin Mayo Clinic? Do you have new neighbors with young children? We need your help!

ECFE funding depends upon having accurate information about the children, ages birth to kindergarten, who reside in our school district. Please call our office at 507-460-1709 so we can add the child's name to our census data.



Early Childhood Screening

Do you have a 3-5 year old? Early Childhood Screening is a quick and simple check of how your child is growing and developing.

Screening can detect possible health or learning concerns so that children can get help before they start school.

For information on how to enroll for Early Childhood Screening please call
507-460-1709

Facebook



Like our Facebook page for additional program information!

<http://www.facebook.com/AustinECFE>

Austin Public Schools Early Childhood Programs

Monday Classes

Tiny Tots- 8:30am-9:45am

Baby Connections- 11:15am-12:15pm

Tuesday Classes

Tremendous Twos- 8:30am-10:00am

Baby Connections- 4:00pm-5:00pm

Scheduled Dates: Flourishing Families Night- 5:30pm-6:45pm

January 31st, February 28th, March 28th & April 25th

Wednesday Classes

Flourishing Families- 8:30am-9:45am

Thursday Classes

Multi-Lingual Flourishing Families- 9:00am-10:30am

Friday Classes

Friday Fun Day- 8:30am-9:30am

Locations in description