

Family Child Care Association

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Dear Member,

We hope you and your loved ones are doing well. It is time to renew your membership for the Family Child Care Association!

Considering the unprecedented time that we are currently going through, the FCCA Board has made some drastically different decisions for how this year will roll out. These decisions were made with considerations to everyone's health, safety, and with respect to the current status of many of our programs. Our goal is to provide a supportive network, affordable training opportunities, and the same reliable family referrals past membership years have been able to offer.

Special Announcements for FCCA 2020-21 Members!

Reduced cost all year long: Membership is \$60, no early bird registration

Reduced in-person events: Workshops will be held virtually using Zoom

Increase opportunity to access CPR/FA classes: more frequent and smaller class size

PLC's throughout the year: offering facilitated chats for training hours

Members may teach a workshop to get a free membership: pending an accepted proposal

Workshops will focus on areas of highest need: diverse learners and social/emotional dev.

Our year officially begins on July 1, 2020. In order to ensure continuous referrals and access to member benefits, your registration packet must be submitted by July 25, 2020.

Check our website, www.familychildcareassoc.com, for updates on workshops and special events. If you use Facebook, join the closed group "FCCA Members" (www.facebook.com/groups/274944576191482) to access the most up to date information, share resources, and connect with other members.



The timeline for rolling out the new year looks like this:

July 1

Aug 1, Sept 1 & Oct 1

Registration Opens

Website and "FCCA Members" FB group are updated, you must be a current member to access these perks

Keep an eye out for more information on workshop proposals and hosting CPR/FA classes in the near future. We look forward to seeing you at this year's workshops and events!

Warmly, The FCCA Board

President & Workshops: Ali Barnes

Membership: Carmen Costa

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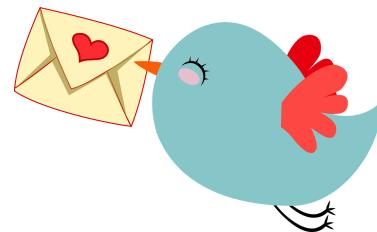
Referrals: Suzane Carvalho

Treasurer: Jill Morlock

Secretary: Christina Costa

My FCCA Membership Application is ready to send when I have all of these items completed:

- A copy of most recent child care license
- Completed membership application
- Check made out to FCCA for \$60



Send to:

FCCA, Attn: Membership, PO Box 126, North Billerica, MA 01862

Membership FAQ for 2020-21

Q: My license is up for renewal. Can I still join FCCA if DEEC hasn't given me my new license yet or my license states that it is expired?

A: Yes! If you are a member from the previous year, 2019-20, and you are reapplying for 2020-21 membership year, you can use your most recent license.

If you are a new member, please submit a current license.

Q: My license is current, but my program isn't opening yet. Can I still join?

A: Yes! FCCA requires that you hold a valid FCC license from DEEC to join. You do not have to currently be working in an FCC program.

Q: I have a great idea and I am interested in teaching a workshop for FCCA. What should I do?

A: We are still working out the details and plan to get them out very soon. The board will review proposals from members and accept up to 3 workshops to host. Workshop presenters must meet qualifications set by DEEC (which includes experience and/or education requirements). If your proposal is accepted, you will get a free membership for the year.

Q: How do more frequent and smaller classes work for CPR and First Aid?

A: We are still working out the details and plan to get them out very soon. We are looking for up to 6 members who would host a CPR/FA at their home for groups of 6-9 people. Ideally, classes would be held outdoors. Indoor classes would require enough space to physically distance. Members who host a CPR/FA class this summer or fall will get a free membership for the year.

Q: Does FCCA have new bylaws?

A: Yes. The board met virtually on June 18. We did our oath of office, held a Q&A and submitted proposed changes to the draft bylaws, and voted unanimously to adopt the organizational bylaws. They will be sent to members via email and posted on the website.

Q: Is there a schedule of events yet?

A: Not yet! We're working on it and will let you know as soon as we have events confirmed.

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Business name _____

License# _____ check one: provider assistant

Providers Name _____

Street Address _____

Town _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____

Personal Phone _____

Email _____

yes no I give my permission for my name, address, telephone and email address to be included on a member list which will be posted on our web page and distributed to parents seeking childcare.

Date: ____ / ____ / ____ If you would like us to include the date your program will re-open on FCCA's website, please include it here.

phone The default for reminders is email. Please let us know if you prefer a phone call.

mail The default for newsletters is email. Please let us know if you prefer a physical copy sent via USPS.

Membership expires on June 30, 2021

Constitutional Bylaws

This association has initiated these bylaws for members to affirm the basic needs of trust and honesty so that we may grow to new endeavors in a positive frame of consciousness.

I affirm my loyalty, honesty and trust as a member of the Family Child Care Association to my fellow members.

I will represent this association in such a way that it creates good will in the public eye.

I will offer warm, caring, stimulation friendship and assist fellow providers to develop positive self-images.

I will support each individual's needs as I see them.

I will exercise my privilege as a member to speak on every debatable motion brought to the membership before the motion is acted upon.

I will not enter into any agreement or other obligate this association, except by authorization of the executive board.

I will assume the responsibility to further the objectives originally set forth by this association to help assure quality childcare and to upgrade the professionalism of family child care providers.

I will report to the Department of Social Services at anytime I feel a child has been physically or emotionally abused.

I understand that if I violate the bylaws of this association I may be ostracized by a 2/3 vote of the executive board and dismissal from the association will ensue.

I (signature of member) _____ promise upon my honor that I will faithfully obey the constitutional bylaws set forth by the Family Child Care Association.

Witness _____ Date _____