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CHILD CARE COUNCIL  
OF SUFFOLK, INC.

## The Child Care Connection August 2019

Goodbye Summer!

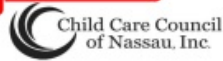


## OCFS Fingerprinting Update



As a result of the comprehensive background check screening requirements, it is more important than ever that child care programs' active staff list be current. Please review your active staff list now and expunge anyone who is not actively working in the program. Programs may submit the [OCFS-4622 Notice To Expunge Associated Fingerprint Card](#) form to their regulator via mail or fax.

## 2019 Infant Toddler Conference



## LI Infant Toddler Resource Center Annual Infant Toddler Conference



**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

**8:00am – 4:00pm**

**Hosted by Suffolk County Community College**

**Kids Cottage**

**Brentwood, New York**

This conference is being partially funded through the LI Infant Toddler Resource Center, a collaborative project involving the Child Care Councils of Nassau and Suffolk



## Supporting Families Facing Trauma

Recent news reports have described the arrests of hundreds of members of undocumented families and children being separated from their parents. These type of events cause a great deal of stress and feelings of fear and uncertainty. We want to ensure that you are well-prepared to support the families in your community in the face of these events by providing you with an updated and expanded list of resources.

**For more information click  
here**

- [Supporting Children who are Experiencing Stress](#), *Child Care Aware of America*
- [Supporting Young Children Experiencing Separation and Trauma](#), *Zero to Three*
- [Sensitive Locations and Beyond: Roles and Responsibilities for Early Childhood Educators Working with Children in Undocumented Families \(webinar\)](#), *CLASP & NAEYC*
- [Traumatic Experiences Resource Guide](#), *Sesame Street in Communities*

## Upcoming Trainings

- 9/10 - Entornos que apoyan la iniciativa (Environments that Support Initiative)
- 10/10 - Infant/Child/Adult CPR
- 10/17 - Pediatric First Aid
- 10/19 - Resucitacion Cardio Pulmonar (RCP) (CPR)
- 10/19 - Primeros Auxilios (First Aid)
- 12/7 - Resucitacion Cardio Pulmonar (RCP) (CPR)
- 12/7 - Primeros Auxilios (First Aid)
- 12/11 - Infant/Child/Adult CPR
- 12/18 - Pediatric First Aid



[Click here to register](#)

CSEA will sponsor trainings for Family and Group Family child care providers. When registering for a training, contact [Stefanie](#) to see if your program is eligible!

## Register now for the upcoming CDA classes!

The Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition operates the CDA credentialing program as part of a major national effort to improve the quality of child care. Focusing on the skills of child care providers, the program is designed to provide performance-based training, assessment and credentialing of pre-school, child care staff and family providers.

The Child Care Council of Suffolk offers the 120 hours of formal instruction and advisement required for CDA. This course prepares candidates to apply to the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition for the credential.

Classes are offered in both Middle Island and Commack starting in September.



[Click here to contact Stefanie for more information](#)

## CACFP

### Baked Eggplant Sticks Recipe

#### Ingredients

- **10 ounce** eggplant
- **1/2 cup** Italian seasoning
- **2 tablespoons** parmesan cheese,

- grated
- **2 large** egg whites, whipped

### Directions

1. Cut off the eggplant ends and cut in half lengthwise.
2. Cut 1/4 inch slices and then from those, cut 1/4 inch sticks.
3. Mix breadcrumbs and cheese in a bowl.
4. In another, whip the egg whites.
5. Dip the eggplant sticks into the egg whites and then roll in the breadcrumb mixture.
6. Lay on large baking sheet lined with parchment paper and bake in 450 degree oven for 10 minutes. Turn over and bake another 5 minutes.

*Makes 32 sticks. Six sticks equals 1/2 cup baked eggplant. 5 servings ages 3-5.*



Join the #NationalCACFP community on **Facebook** for crafts, snacks and other clever ideas shared daily. Get a dose of what's in the news, policy changes, and CACFP specific issues. Resources, printables, and more!



## Parent Leadership Initiative (PLI)



### Recruiting now for 2019-2020 sessions!

Congratulations to the P.L.I. class of 2019, who will now take their place among the more than 800 graduates who collectively help create a safe and supportive environment for our children on Long Island.

This year's projects include efforts in anti-bullying, mentoring, healthy food choices and equitable access to voting for the residents of Suffolk County.

If you're interested in learning more about our program and becoming part of the P.L.I. family, please contact Denise Ham, Director of P.L.I. Suffolk County for more information at [DHam@childcaresuffolk.org](mailto:DHam@childcaresuffolk.org), or call 631-462-0303 ext. 101. We're now accepting applications for the 2019/2020 sessions.

# Resource & Referral



Does your child care program offer  
before and after care options for families?

Call us today at **631-462-0303** and ask to speak with the Resource and Referral  
Department to update your program's information for the new school year.

