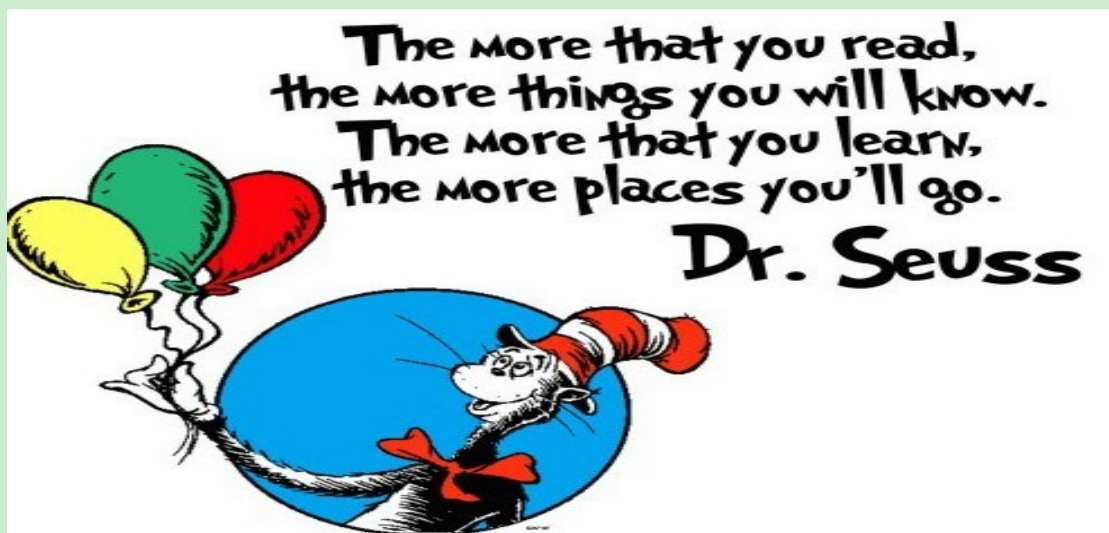


# Saratoga Head Start



## Carbon County Child Development Programs



# March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Newsletter, Reading Challenge & Fatherhood activity sent home HSAC 12-1	2 	3 No School	4
5	6 Parent/Staff Mental Health Support 12-1	 7 Library Return Parent survey	8 Parent Center @ 3pm	9	10 No School	11
 12	 13 Kindergarten Readiness @ 4pm	14	15 Stem 	16  Rachel's Challenge Positive Solutions @1 via zoom	17 No School	18
19	20 First Day Of Spring 	21 Reading Challenge and Fatherhood Activity due	22	23  Show and Tell	24 No School	25
26	27 Board and Policy Council Meeting @ 5:30p.m.	28	29	30	31	
						



# CARBON COUNTY CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

## Saratoga Head Start

March 2023

Saratoga Newsletter

### Classroom/Curriculum Information

**H**ead Start recognizes *parents as their child's first and most important teacher.*

**CREATIVE CURRICULUM:** *The main curriculum of the program. It is play-based evaluations of children's skills done through observation.*

#### Supplemental Curriculums:

**ZOO PHONICS:** *Helps our students with phonics and alphabet knowledge.*

**HEGGERTY:** *focus on literacy skills of rhyme, alphabet knowledge and language awareness.*

#### Data and Assessment Program:

**TEACHING STRATEGIES GOLD (TSG):** *This is our assessment program.*

#### Parent Curriculum:

**POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR FAMILIES:** *Helps families to promote their children's social and emotional skills.*

**READY ROSIE:** *Helps families deepen their family engagement efforts.*

#### Optional educational fun for home:

**KAHN ACADEMY:** *Focus on math knowledge and skills in the program.*

### Health/Safety/Mental Health

**D**ear Parents:

- On March 6<sup>th</sup> we will be having mental health support with Kari Skordas. This will be available via Zoom.
- **Please keep your child home if he or she is sick. Please refer to our handbook if you have any questions about our sick policy, or call the center @ 326-5056. Please be aware that our staff has to adhere to the same policy. Thank you for your help with this.**

### Reminders

- ✓ We ask that your child does not bring toys to school from home to keep the germs at bay.
- ✓ Please make sure we have extra clothes for your child.
- ✓ Please **do not send snacks to school.** We will provide your child with breakfast, lunch and snack.
- ✓ The weather is changing, please be sure your child has a warm coat, hat, boots, gloves and snow pants. Also, our classroom can be chilly in the morning, maybe bring a sweater or sweatshirt to leave at school.
- ✓ **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We are taking enrollment applications for 2022-2023 school year. Please call us @ 326-5056 or stop by to get an application. Remember every time you refer a friend to get an application, you will get a chance to win **a \$50 gift card.**

### Calendar of Events

**M**arch

- 1-Newsletter, Reading Challenge, Fatherhood Activity and Family Activity sent home
- 1-HSAC 12-1 (Health & Safety Advisory Committee) @ noon
- 6- Parent/Staff Mental Health Support via zoom
- 7- Library
- 8-Parent Center Committee (PCC) Meeting @ 3pm
- 13- Kindergarten Readiness @ 4pm
- 15- Stem
- 16- Positive Solutions @ 1pm
- 16- Rachel's Challenge
- 21- Reading Challenge, Fatherhood Activity and Family Activity Due
- 23- Show and Tell
- 26- Book distribution week
- 27- Board and Policy council meeting @ 5:30pm
- Spring Break Week March 27 through March 31**

*Carbon County Child Development Programs is an equal opportunity provider*

## April

3 – School Resumes

3- Newsletter, Fatherhood Activity, and Reading Challenge sent home

10- Kindergarten Readiness @4pm.

18- Health in the Classroom

20 - Rachel's Challenge in the Classroom

24– Board and Policy Council @5:30pm.

25- Reading Challenge, Fatherhood Activity, and Family Activity due

### Family Engagement/Volunteering

We have opportunities for parents and guardians to get involved; volunteering helps keep our program's grant.

### Ways you can volunteer

- ✓ All parents are invited to our **Parent Center Committee** on Wednesday, **March 8<sup>th</sup> @3:00pm in the Classroom building.**
- ✓ Remember, if you are doing our **monthly activities**, you are helping our program keep its grant. Do not forget to fill out the **in-kind sheet at home**, which is located in the back of this newsletter. Any educational activities count. Write the time spent and return it to your child's teacher.
- ✓ Our March **Reading Challenge** will be sent home on March 1st. Please read to your child for 10 to 15 minutes every day. When you return the Reading Challenge, your child will receive a certificate, a book and a small prize. **If you need books** from our lending library, please contact Janet at 326-5056.
- ✓ Our **March Fatherhood Activity** this month is making a card for a family in our program that recently lost their dad. Also, for Pat who recently lost her husband. This activity can be done with parents, grandparents, older brothers, uncles or a trusted male figure.
- ✓ Parents are invited to join us on Thursday, March 16 @ 1 pm via zoom for our **Positive Solutions** Parenting Curriculum training; where we will offer families' key prevention strategies and hands-on-activities you can

use with your children at home to develop awareness of their emotions.

### Fatherhood Engagement:

Fatherhood engagement is a vital integrated aspect of parent, family and community engagement. **Head Start engages fathers as advocates, lifelong educators and first teachers of their children.** Male family members and father figures serve key roles in the healthy development of their children and families.

Remember that we have monthly Fatherhood Activities in our program that you can be part of.

### Family Services Reminders

- ✓ Remember that your child's teacher advocates for your child and your Family Services Specialist advocates for you! **Family Advocates in Rawlins: Fiorella Wailes and Melisa Perea and Janet Stockwell in Saratoga.**
- ✓ **Parents, please check our calendar of events and be aware that March 27<sup>th</sup> begins our Spring Break. We return April 3,2022.**
- ✓ If you have any additions or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact Janet @ 326-5056.

### Help wanted

**CARBON COUNTY CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IS LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION:**

**ATTORNEY/LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**QUALIFICATIONS:** This is a volunteer position. Interested applicants, Call Mindy Monson @ (307)324-4951.

### Program Contact Information

Website

[www.carboncountychilddevelopmentprograms.org](http://www.carboncountychilddevelopmentprograms.org)

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