

## EC3 Newsletter – 6/21/2019

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### ***Parking Lot Safety***

There have been a few “close calls” lately in our very own parking lot. Please stay alert while you are parking and driving! Some of our little ones are shorter than your back window so make sure you are checking your mirrors constantly, and put away distractions. Thank you for slowing down and being courteous to help EC3 be a safe and trustworthy place.

### ***Early LCC Fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings***

All friends, families, and supporters of our sister-school, Early LCC, are invited to participate in a fundraising event on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Everyone is invited to gather at Buffalo Wild Wings in Lansing (718 Delta Commerce Dr.) for lunch, dinner, or snack. When you present this flyer, <http://bit.ly/2ZyZDj0>, to your server at the time of your order, 20% of your purchase will support the work of Early LCC’s Advisory Council.

### ***Card Campaign for Lori Ireland:***

Many of you have had the pleasure of having Lori as your infant teacher. She truly is a “baby whisperer,” and has impacted the lives of so many of our families! Lori has been on medical leave for several months undergoing a sequence of eye surgeries. She is preparing to have another surgery next week, and we’d love to share some extra love and support. We will be collecting cards to shower Lori with loving thoughts and prayers. Let’s help her feel the impact she has made on so many lives! Bring a card to the office, we will happily address and mail it to Lori. Thank you in advance for helping support Lori!

### ***Seven Tips for Vegetable Gardening with Your Toddler***

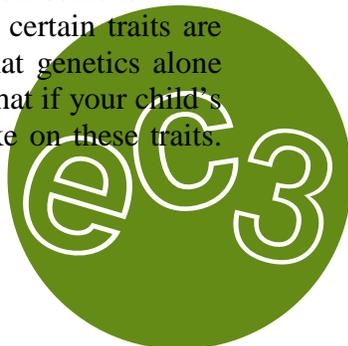
Gardens are magical, fun, and always full of surprises. Whether you are an accomplished gardener or a novice, gardening with children is your chance to partner with Mother Nature and make magic. Don't worry about achieving horticultural perfection, just dig in and grow something beautiful or good to eat. Check out seven great tips for gardening with your toddler at <http://bit.ly/28Lwz1V>.

### ***Meet Up and Eat up at CADL***

Capital Area District Libraries (CADL) is partnering with the Lansing School District’s Summer Food Service Program to offer free nutritious lunches to local families throughout the summer. Children up to age 18 and their caregiver(s) are invited to visit the library and enjoy some free family activities and lunch between 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. See the Capital Area District Library website for dates and more information: <http://bit.ly/2FeXz8j>.

### ***Personality Traits “Contagious” in Kids***

When young children spend time with one another, they may actually take on some of their peers’ personality traits. According to research with three and four-year-olds, certain traits are “contagious” among children. This concept is very different from the idea that genetics alone shape a child’s personality, and that personality traits are constant. It turns out that if your child’s friends are extroverted or hard-working or artistic, your child will tend to take on these traits.



Interestingly, when the friend is overanxious or easily frustrated, your child is NOT likely to take on these particular traits.

As part of EC3's social curriculum, we focus on teaching and reinforcing appropriate social and learning skills, such as curiosity, persistence, and patience. These "learned skills" become part of a child's core personality. It takes some practice to learn these skills, and children gain insight by watching their peers. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/2rqRLPm>.

### **Michigan Activity Pass – Explore for Free!**

This summer you can use your library card to explore Michigan's cultural attractions, state parks, and recreation areas! The Michigan Activity Pass offers cardholders a one-day pass to explore hundreds of Michigan's state parks, historic sites, cultural attractions, campgrounds, and recreation areas simply by visiting one of the 400 participating libraries *FREE* of charge. More information is available at the Michigan Activity Pass website, <http://bit.ly/1Gi7Ibk>.

### **Weekend Family Fun**

*LCC Summer Stage Under the Stars: The Daily Life of Superheroes*

**Friday-Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m., LCC Dart Auditorium**

Lansing Community College's Summer Stage Under the Stars is a free outdoor festival featuring a variety of music, theater, and dance performances perfect for a summer evening.

<http://bit.ly/2Ru7vzK>

*Yankee Doodle Days*

**Thursday-Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> at various times, Grand Ledge**

Grand Ledge hosts a 4-day celebration with music, food, beer tent, games, and fireworks! Saturday will start with a morning parade and host an expanded Kids Day Celebration. Find them on Facebook for more information, <http://bit.ly/2MXrFU7>.

### **Important Dates Coming Up**

- **Friday, 6/21:** Infant teacher, **Lori Ireland's** birthday
- **Sunday, 6/23:** Support staff, **Amber Lundberg's** birthday
- **Monday, 6/24:** Grace period day: accounts paid prior to 6:00 p.m. will not be assessed a late fee.

### **Visit EC3 on the Web!**

- **EC3's website:** <http://ec3kids.org/>
- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/EC3kids/>
- **Pinterest:** <http://pinterest.com/ec3kids/>
- **Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/EC3kids/>

