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Early Education Calendar of Events



The Conference and Events has expanded to a nearly complete listing of state wide and national conferences

The Conference and Event has been moved to a web site to assure easier access, more up to date information and to stream line the emails.

Conference and Events generally are of state wide meetings and conferences and we do not include local course offerings due to limited resources. As our means of communication is web based, we only can post information on conferences that have a link to a web site for further information. [Email Conference Information HERE](#)

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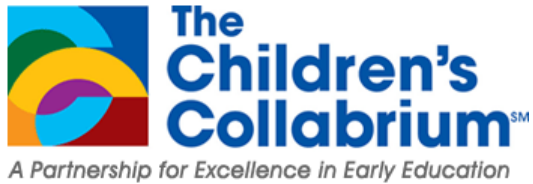
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Community Care Licensing Division's Child Care Update for May 2008

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[Community Care Licensing Division's Child Care Update for May 2008](#)

## The Children's Collabrium Announces Summary of Proceedings from the Forum



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San Francisco, CA May, 2008 The Children's Collabrium built on the work of Dr. Jack Shonkoff, author of "From Neurons to Neighborhoods," by hosting a gathering of over 100 leaders in the field of early care and education (ECE) on June 5, 2007. The intent of

the one-day conference was to encourage a dialogue about new directions for child development in the twenty-first century. The Children's Collabrium has now released a summary of the day's proceedings.

[Summary of Proceedings from the Forum sponsored by The Children's Collabrium](#)

## Nearly One-third Of US Parents Don't Know What To Expect Of Infants

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Almost one-third of U.S. parents have a surprisingly low-level knowledge of typical infant development and unrealistic expectations for their child's physical, social and emotional growth, according research from the University of Rochester. The new findings, which suggest that such false parenting assumptions can not only impair parent-child interactions, but also rob kids of much-needed cognitive stimulation

Moms and dads often misinterpret behaviors -- some parents expect too much of babies too soon and grow frustrated; others underestimate their child's abilities, preventing them from learning on their own.

Thanks to Janice M. Gruendel, CT Governor's Senior Policy Advisor, Children & Youth

[Nearly One-third Of US Parents Don't Know What To Expect Of Infants](#)

California Family Economic Self-Sufficiency Standard by County

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The [Insight Center for Community Economic Development](#) just released the 2008 California Family Economic Self-Sufficiency Standard, and the report "How Much is Enough in Your County? The 2008 California Family Self-Sufficiency Standard." The new Self-Sufficiency Standard shows that the cost of basic goods in every county has risen significantly over the past five years.

The Family Economic Self-Sufficiency Standard (Self-Sufficiency Standard) measures how much income is needed for a family of a certain composition living in a particular county to adequately meet its minimal basic needs. It is based on the costs families face on a daily basis - housing, food, child care, out-of-pocket medical expenses,

transportation, and other necessary spending - and provides a complete picture of what it takes for families to make ends meet. In contrast, the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) , which was developed in the early 1960's and is used to determine income eligibility for many public programs, is based on the outdated assumption that food represents one-third of a family's budget. The FPL also fails to take into account housing and transportation costs, geography, and, most importantly, child care costs, which are increasingly more expensive. For a family of four-whether in a high cost market like San Francisco, CA or a more affordable market like Baton Rouge, LA-the poverty level is \$21,200 in annual household earnings.

Thanks to Mardi Lucich

[California Family Economic Self-Sufficiency Standard by County](#)

**TRUSTLINE REGULATIONS OUT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**



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The Superintendent of Public Instruction released the proposed TrustLine regulations for public comment. These regulations will address one issue: TrustLine registration for

applicable license- exempt providers of subsidized child care and development services.

The proposed regulations add two new sections (18224.6 and 18227) to the Alternative Payment program regulations (Division 1, Chapter 19, Subchapter 10) to clearly identify who qualifies as an eligible provider and what happens when a license- exempt provider becomes ineligible to provide child care and development services. The majority of section 18227 comes from the existing section 18074.2(a). The content of that section is modified to reflect the requirement for the license-exempt provider, who is not the child's grandparent, aunt, or uncle, to be TrustLine registered to be considered an eligible provider for rendering subsidized child care and development services.

The proposed regulations can be found [HERE](#).

**PUBLIC HEARING**

California Department of Education (CDE), will hold a public hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. on June 27, 2008, at 1430 N Street, Room 1801, Sacramento, California. The room is wheelchair accessible. At the hearing, any person may present statements or arguments, orally or in writing, relevant to the proposed action described in the Informative Digest. No oral statements will be accepted subsequent to this public hearing.

**WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD**

Any interested person, may submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action to:

Debra Strain, Regulations Coordinator LEGAL DIVISION  
California Department of Education  
1430 N Street, Room 5319  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile (FAX) at 916-319-0155 or by e-mail to

regcomments@cde.ca.gov. Comments must be received by the Regulations Coordinator prior to 5:00 p.m. on June 27, 2008.

Thanks to [CCDAA](#).

[PROPOSED TRUSTLINE REGULATIONS](#)

**What Does Economics Tell Us About Early Childhood Policy?**

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An increasing chorus of Fortune 500 CEOs, Federal Reserve Bank analysts, Nobel Prize-winning economists, and other business and economic leaders have led the call to increase public "investments" in early childhood. This call is driven by research findings that increasingly emphasize the importance of laying a strong foundation in early childhood and that show that a range of early interventions can successfully put children on the path toward positive development, preventing poor outcomes in adulthood. These findings-along with increasing recognition in the public-health and social- service sectors that providing program services in early childhood has benefits over treatment later in life-have contributed to the evolution of economists' support for early childhood investments.

To help decisionmakers in the public and private sectors, service providers, and the public more generally, RAND researchers drew on their decades-long expertise in applying economics to early childhood issues to demonstrate how two economic concepts-human capital theory and monetary payoffs-contribute to a unifying framework that provides evidence-based guidance for early childhood policy. These concepts are summarized in this research brief.

Thanks to Leticia Leyva, City of Fremont

5 page downloadable report

[What Does Economics Tell Us About Early Childhood Policy?](#)

Preschool enrollment up dramatically



Making a world of difference

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The most recent federal statistics show that in 10 years preschool enrollment in the United States increased 63 percent to more than 1 million children.

The increase, which took place between 1995 and 2005, far outpaced the 10 percent hike in regular public school enrollment, USA Today reported Monday.

Education experts attribute the rise to more mothers in the workforce as well as states stepping up to finance preschool programs.

A new study released by the Rand Corp. says funding pre-K programs can actually save states money if it the need for social services later in life and produces increased tax revenue when pre-school students get higher-paying jobs.

[Preschool enrollment up dramatically](#)

Governor Schwarzenegger released his May revise of the California State Budget 2008-2009.



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California's structural budget deficit persists. Slower rates of economic growth, softening state revenues and increased costs have widened California's budget gap. In January, the projected deficit for 2008-09 was \$14.5 billion. Left unaddressed, the projected gap would grow to \$24.3 billion based on updated revenue projections, revised caseload estimates and higher costs. The single largest factor contributing to the increase in the projected budget gap is a \$6.0 billion decrease in estimated General Fund revenues. Other factors include increased program costs, higher estimates of growth and costs of living adjustments, and erosion of savings due to delays in the adoption of reduction proposals. A Special Session of the Legislature made a down payment to address the budget deficit; now, the remaining budget gap is \$17.2 billion.

Child Development information can be found [HERE](#)

Information Courtesy of [CCDAA](#)

[Overall Revised budget information can be found at:](#)

## Impairments In Language Development Can Be Detected In Infants As Young As 3 Months Old



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Uncover how the brains of infants distinguish differences in sounds and it may become possible to correct language problems even before children start to speak, sparing them the difficulties that come from struggling with language.

New studies conducted by Professor of Neuroscience April Benasich and her Infancy Studies Laboratory at Rutgers University in Newark are revealing new and exciting clues about how infant brains begin to acquire language and paving the way for correcting language difficulties at a time when the brain is most able to change.

Thanks to Marjory Keenan, M.Ed.
Child Development Specialist

[Impairments In Language Development Can Be Detected In Infants As Young As 3 Months Old](#)



Go Kids seeks two Family Childcare Specialists

Go Kids seeks two Family Childcare Specialists- Quality Assurance to assist in the daily operation and coordination of Go Kids Family Child Care Home Network.

Responsible for recruiting of new providers, training of providers within the network and monitoring of Family Childcare Home's to ensure compliance with Go Kids established guidelines and procedures.

Must have a minimum of 12 semester units in ECE and one year of classroom/teaching experience.

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- Temporary Position (May-October) located in Hollister
- Full Time Position with benefits located in Salinas

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