

YMCA CCRR Workshops

Supporting Families with
Emotional/Mental Health Challenges -
Aug 6th, 7:00PM - 9:00PM, Coquitlam
CCRR, \$10.00

Creating Calm & Community: The Power
of Environment & SEL - Aug 21st, 7:00PM
- 9:00PM, Online, \$10.00

Working Effectively in Multicultural and
Multi-Care Teams - Sept 20th & Oct 4th,
9:30AM - 12:45PM; Oct 9th & Oct 23rd,
7:00PM - 9:00PM, Online, \$25.00

Positive Guidance in School Age Care -
Sept 25th, 7:00PM - 9:00PM, Online,
\$10.00

Visit myymca.ca to register!

YMCA CCRR Event Photos



Did you get photographed at one of our
events? Check out our social media
@YMCAccrr to see if you were featured!

YMCA CCRR Program News

Have you checked out yet our free weekday
activities for children aged 0-6 at select
outdoor parks in Burnaby, Coquitlam, and
New Westminster? Join us this summer for
engaging stories, enjoyable activities, circle
time, and plenty more!

For further details, please check the poster for
your local community:

- [Burnaby – Maywood Park](#)
- [Coquitlam – Glen Park](#)
- [Coquitlam – Cottonwood Park](#)
- [New Westminster – Queen's Park](#)

Come visit us this August at our Burnaby and
Coquitlam offices for engaging drop-in circle
times every Saturday! No registration is
necessary—just stop by and immerse yourself
in a vibrant session with our CCRR
consultants. You'll enjoy a delightful
combination of tunes, stories, melodies, and
movements! For more information on
locations, dates, and times, please check these
links: [Burnaby](#) | [Coquitlam](#).

In July, CCRR Consultants had a fantastic time
engaging with families at the vibrant
Caribbean Days Festival held at Town Center
Park, as well as at the Burnaby Neighbourhood
House's Summer Social!



YMCA CCRR Program Features

Mark your calendars for September, as the
YMCA CCRR's mini-conference will be held at
the Executive Inn Plaza—an event you won't
want to miss! You can expect five hours of
professional development, delicious food,
exciting prizes, and gift bags, all available for
just \$10! Register now for "[Neurodiverse-
Affirming Behavioural Detectives](#)," presented
by Kim Barthel and the Relationship Matters
Team.



Did you know we have a [Program Guide](#) that
outlines all the services the YMCA CCRR
provides for child care providers, the child
care workforce, and families? If you haven't
seen it yet, be sure to take a look! Our
program guide is a fantastic resource to get
acquainted with our locations, our staff, and
all the ways we can assist you in raising
happy, healthy children.

Are you in search of child care? If you haven't
done so already, please complete our [Find a
Child Care Provider Form](#). Once we have
your information, we will reach out to you
and process a child care referral on your
behalf. If you already have a referral from us
and are still having difficulty finding a spot,
don't hesitate to reach out again! We can
provide you with an additional referral that
offers more options. Additionally, our [Parent
Information Package](#) may prove to be a
valuable resource during your child care
search. Be sure to take a look!

Did you know that our CCRR child care
referrals highlight current vacancies in local
child care programs? We use the vacancy
information that child care providers submit
to the [BC Child Care Map](#) during monthly
funding renewals to help connect families
with available care options. If your child care
program has open spaces that you'd like us to
share with families—or if you're unsure
whether we're already doing so—please let us
know by completing our [Child Care Program
Information Form](#).

Free Community Events

Celebrate BC – BC Day Festival: August 4, 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM, Town Centre Park, FREE

Outdoor Puppet Show: August 6, 10:00 AM – 10:45 AM, Port Moody Public Library, FREE

Babytime: August 7, 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM, Terry Fox Public Library, FREE

BC Dumpling Festival: August 9, 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM, Town Centre Park, FREE



PoCo Car Show: August 16–17, Downtown Port Coquitlam, FREE

Car Free Day: August 17, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM, St. John's Street, FREE

Hyack Summer Music & Fireworks Festival: August 23, 3:00 PM – 9:30 PM, Westminster Quay, FREE

Willingdon Community Fair & Movie Night: August 27, 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Willingdon Community Centre, FREE



Summer Season at Burnaby Village Museum: Weekly Tuesday to Sunday, 11:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Burnaby Village Museum, FREE

New West Farmers Market: Thursdays, 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM, Tipperary Park, FREE

Family Resources

The YMCA CCRR Bettie Allard Drop-in Program is closed for the summer, and will reopen on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

For more information about family programs available in your local community this summer, please visit the [drop-in programs](#) page on our website.

Child Care News

[ChildCareBC Bulletin](#)'s latest update contains information about the following:

- Changes to the ChildCareBC Bulletin during summer 2025
- Applications now open: Provincial Child Care Council
- Reminder: Emergency Management Resource Package and Key Contacts
- International ECEs and ECE Assistants needed to test My ECE Registry

To view archived editions of the ChildCareBC Bulletin, see [here](#).

Articles of Interest



BC Accessible Adventures

The BC Summer Adventure List is a curated collection of inclusive, sensory-friendly, free or low-cost activities across British Columbia, designed to make

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Dramatic play serves as a powerful medium for children to process events in their lives, gain self-awareness, and explore the emotions and viewpoints of others. This form of play fosters the development of:

- Emotional regulation
- Executive function
- Social competence
- Empathy

Moreover, the advantages of dramatic play extend far beyond just social and emotional well-being; it also enhances children's cognitive and physical development. Most importantly, it's a delightful way for them to learn and grow!



The Role of Dramatic Play in the Lives of Young Children | Community Playthings

Discover how dramatic play helps young children build social and emotional skills, with expert tips from Kelly Hanak and Sarah Grissom on how teachers can effectively support it.

[communityplaythings.com](#)

YMCA CCRR ... Did you know?

Did you know we offer professional development for child care providers?

- We host workshops, courses, and networking opportunities to help you stay current with best practices and meet your professional development requirements.

Did you know we provide personalized support for starting a child care business?

- From understanding licensing requirements to creating policies and setting up your space, we offer step-by-step guidance to help you launch your child care program confidently.

Did you know we have resources to support inclusive child care?

- We offer information and tools to help child care providers create welcoming, diverse environments—plus referrals to local supports for children with extra needs.

Early Learning Library Corner: Most Borrowed Resources

Have you ever wondered which resources are the most sought after in our Early Learning Library? Below, you will discover our top ten most borrowed items from the past year! If you're interested in borrowing any of them, simply use the resource number to place a hold on the item through our [Early Learning Library Portal](#).



Life on Mars (13539, 37124, 37116)



Life Of a Chick (14933, 05840, 41506)



Better Builders (10717, 22720)



Chicka Chicka Boom Boom
(10964, 21680, 10667)



Jumbo Insect
(34741, 32869, 49574, 49556)



Brown Bear, Brown Bear
(32262, 40334, 11228,
22266, 40278, 19098)



Ice Cream,
Ice Cream
(10949)



Magnetic Racer
(39666, 39005, 49426,
49434, 38874, 39674)



Bamboo Marble Run
(15146, 14974)



Bean Bag Toss
(16409, 07663)

Social Media & YMCA CCRR Early Learning Library

On our social media platforms, we frequently showcase resources through our Exploring Materials series. Moreover, our Virtual Story Times highlight our resources in use, complete with song suggestions. Follow us to explore these offerings!



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acknowledges the
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