

Upcoming Workshops, Courses & Events

Outdoor Education and Indigenous Ways of Knowing – Oct 1st, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Coquitlam CCRR, \$10.00

Family Child Care Administration: 16-Hour Course – Tuesdays, Oct 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, Online, \$20.00

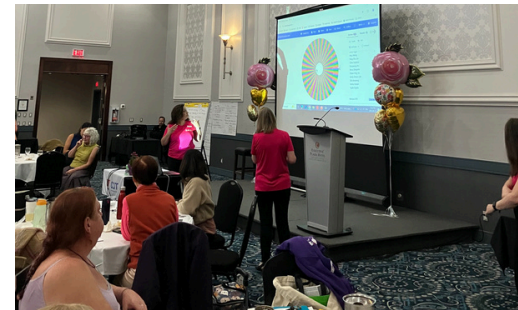
Supporting Children's Social and Emotional Wellness – Saturdays, Nov 8th & 15th, 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM; Wednesdays, Nov 26th & Dec 3rd, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Coquitlam CCRR, \$30.00

What is Pedagogical Narration? (Presented in Farsi) – Nov 12th, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Coquitlam CCRR, \$10.00

Visit myymca.ca to register!

YMCA CCRR Program News

Supporting One, Supporting All: Collaborative Support Models – Join us on November 1st from 9:00 AM–3:00 PM for a full-day professional development event with Dr. Shelley Moore, an internationally recognized educator and author, as she explores the evolving goals of inclusion in child care, classrooms, and communities. Through engaging sessions, Dr. Moore will connect Universal Design for Learning to practical strategies and highlight how place and purpose can shape meaningful, inclusive planning. This event is ideal for child care providers, workforce members, and parents—just \$10 to attend, with breakfast, lunch, door prizes, participant bags, and a five-hour professional development certificate included. [Register here!](#)



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!



Neurodiverse-Affirming Behavioural Detectives – Our September 13 workshop with Kim Barthel and the Relationship Matters Team was an inspiring and interactive day! Participants left empowered with practical, trauma-informed strategies to support neurodiverse children, strengthen social engagement, and build self-awareness. With engaging activities, lunch, door prizes, participant bags, and a five-hour professional development certificate, it was a meaningful experience for all who attended.



YMCA CCRR Program Features

Are you part of an agency serving families in Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Anmore, Belcarra, Burnaby, or New Westminster? Have you ever had a CCRR consultant visit your program to share information with your families or employees about YMCA CCRR services? Our consultants help families find childcare that fits their needs, we offer parent education through programs like Mother Goose, Circle of Security, and parenting workshops, and we provide great information on [local drop-in programs](#)—including our own at [Bettie Allard](#). If you're interested in booking an outreach visit with us, email ygv.ccrr@bc.ymca.ca!

Come Explore YMCA CCRR's Early Learning Resource Library!

- 📺 Watch a Tour – Take a quick video tour of our Early Learning Resource Library. [Watch on YouTube](#).
- 📖 Library Portal – Browse resources, view photos, check availability, and place holds online. [Visit the Portal](#).
- 🌿 Indigenous Resource Catalogue – Explore our collection of Indigenous books and teaching tools for borrowing. [View Catalogue \(PDF\)](#).
- 📄 CCRR Lending Library Agreement – Start borrowing or renew your borrowing agreement. [Complete the Form](#).

Free Community Events

[Fire Department Open House](#) - October 4th | 10AM - 2PM | Glenbrook Fire Hall

[Salmon Day 2025](#) - October 4th | 11AM - 3PM | ǻ́éxətəm (Colony Farm) Regional Park



[Diwali in Coquitlam](#) - October 10th | All Day | Evergreen Cultural Centre

[Environmental Stewardship](#) - October 18th | 10AM - 12PM | Central Park (Burnaby)



[Central Spark](#) - October 24th | 6-8PM | Patterson Ave (Kingsway to Central blvd, Burnaby)

[Moonlight Movies: Halloween Edition](#) - October 25th | 5-8PM | Queensborough Community Centre | Registration required.

[Heritage Halloween](#) - October 25th | 12-3PM | Coquitlam Heritage at Mackin House

Family Resources

Looking for fun and welcoming daytime drop-in programs for children ages 0–6? We've got you covered! YMCA CCRR's [Drop-In Program Sheets](#) for New Westminster and the Tri-Cities have been updated for fall. Burnaby's fall schedule will be available soon on the [Kids in Burnaby blog](#).

If you haven't yet heard, our [Bettie Allard Family Drop-In](#) now runs three days a week—Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Spots fill up quickly, so be sure to follow us on [Instagram](#) or [Facebook](#) to catch our "Program Full" updates in our stories before you head out.

Child Care News

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

- Leaders of Inclusive Child Care online training course to launch on September 17
- Early Childhood Educators of BC's professional development workshops and courses
- Reminder: New \$10 a Day ChildCareBC intake now open
- Reminder: Emergency management resource package and key contacts

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

BC Gov News - [B.C. launches mandatory early literacy screening to help students succeed](#): Beginning this school year, kindergarten students in B.C. will be screened to determine where they are in their development of reading skills. This brief screening can identify early signs of reading difficulties and help ensure timely, targeted support is provided to students who may benefit from additional assistance.

YWCA - [New National Survey Finds Overwhelming Support for Affordable Child Care in Canada](#): A new national survey conducted by the Environics Institute in partnership with YWCA Canada and YMCA Canada reveals that Canadians overwhelmingly support government investment in affordable, high-quality child care. This finding carries important implications ahead of the next federal budget and the March 2026 deadline for the Canada-wide \$10-a-day childcare system.

Articles of Interest

Money Matters - [I make \\$35K as an early childhood educator in Vancouver—I feel like I'm bailing water from a sinking ship](#): As families across B.C. settle into another back-to-school season, one group of professionals remains consistently overlooked: early childhood educators. Despite being the backbone of the province's \$10-a-day child care dream, they earn far less than the value of their work.

Dr Becky Kennedy - [Managing School Refusal in Children and Teens](#): What can you do if your child refuses to go to school? Learn Good Inside's approach to getting out the door while providing emotional support to kids who experience school refusal and anxiety.

Contemporary Issues in Early Childhood - [Ten propositions for a democratic politics of early childhood education](#): This paper shares 10 key ideas, developed from years of experience in early childhood education (ECE). The ideas suggest a possible path for creating a more democratic approach to ECE. They begin by emphasizing that ECE is, above all, a political and ethical practice, and conclude by stressing the urgent need for major change and for supporting the birth of something new.

CBC - [29 must-read books for children and teens by Indigenous writers, curated by Phyllis Webstad](#): In 2024, CBC Books invited Phyllis Webstad—the founder of Orange Shirt Day—to curate a special list of children's books in honour of National Indigenous History Month. Her selections include powerful stories for every age, from newborns to young adults.

Childcare Resource and Research Unit - [Brief submitted to pre-budget consultations in advance of the fall 2025 budget](#): Canada has made strong progress toward a national child care system through the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care plan (\$10-a-day child care). This is an important step toward universal child care, but the system is still complex and evolving. The Childcare Resource and Research Unit offers seven recommendations, along with other measures, to help ensure child care is truly high quality and accessible for all families.

YMCA CCRR ... Did you know?

Your local CCRR can support you in ways you might not expect:

- Toy and resource lending libraries – borrow high-quality toys, books, and learning materials to enrich play and learning.
- Parent and caregiver referrals – connect families with licensed child care options and community services tailored to their needs.
- Grant and funding guidance – get help navigating available grants and subsidies to support your program or professional growth.

Early Learning Library Corner ... Rupī's Picks!



First Halloween (31598)

👻 Spooky learning made fun! Dive into our Halloween resource filled with crafts, games, and tips to make this season magical for children and families. 🧛❤️



Cooking Vegetables (37298)

🍂🔍 Pumpkin season is here! Explore our fall resource filled with hands-on cooking fun, pumpkin-themed activities, and delicious ways to celebrate the harvest with children and families. 🍁🥕

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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