

Upcoming Workshops & Events

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

Fair Working Environments for ECE:
Learn About Your Rights – Nov 13, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Online, \$10.00

What is 'Discipline' through the Lens of Children's Rights? – Nov 22, 9:30 AM – 12:45 PM, Online, \$5.00

Administrator's Guide to Hiring & Onboarding and Now What – Nov 29, 9:30 AM – 12:45 PM, Online, \$15.00

Visit myymca.ca to register!

YMCA CCRR Event Photos

On October 2nd, we welcomed 16 participants who were encouraged to view felt stories as an engaging, hands-on activity beyond just circle time. Naturally, they also had the opportunity to unleash their creativity.



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



Canada has always been known for its peaceful people, vibrant culture, and beautiful countryside. But even more than that, Canada is known for its patriotism. On Remembrance Day, November 11th, and Indigenous Veterans Day November 8th, take a moment to honor those patriotic men and women who served our nation.

Mother Goose Program



Did you know that we host the Parent - Child Mother Goose program? This fall, we provided sessions in New

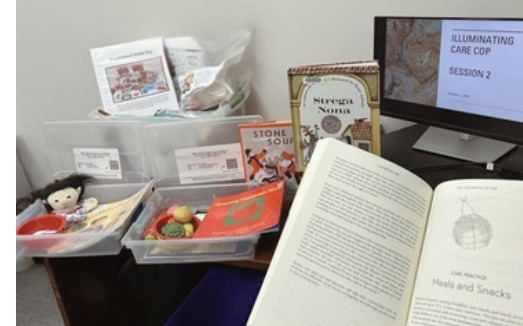


Westminster, Burnaby, and Coquitlam. "The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program® is a joyful, physically close, and interactive program in which parents and their young children learn to share the power and pleasure of oral rhymes, songs, and stories. Keep an eye out for our next Professional Development Schedule debuting in December to [register](#) for one of the upcoming sessions.

Community of Practice

We just wrapped up our second session of this Community of Practice (CoP) with an incredible group of participants. This session centered on the topic of "Meals and Snacks," leading to a wealth of engaging discussions.

As Carol, one of the participants, pointed out, "Because food has such personal and cultural significance, it is one of the areas where we will encounter differences in values and approaches" (Murray, 2021). Additionally, we shared several resources from our library that relate to this topic.



Missed a Networking Event? Sign up with your colleagues for some networking fun in one of our upcoming Networking Opportunities! Find them all here in our [Fall 2025 Professional Development Schedule](#)

YMCA CCRR Program Features

Check out our [Seasonal Resource Sheets](#) which always include some great ideas for you to incorporate into your programs! In our new Fall issue we included some exciting outdoor activities to share including how to make pumpkin tea!

Looking for child care? We can help! Fill out our online [Find a Child Care Provider form](#)

Supportive Site Visits: Are they for me?

If you haven't had a supportive site visit yet, you are missing out!

Our supportive services include:

- On-site Story/Circle Time
- Library Resource Provocation Setup
- Event Support, and
- Professional Development Workshops (certificate provided!).
- We also facilitate Early Learning Library resource drop-off and pick-up services for families and childcare programs!

Arrange to schedule your FREE support visit today, [here!](#)

Questions? Call or email us!

Free Community Events

Lights at Lafarge Kick-off Event - Nov 28th
| 5 - 8PM | Lafarge Lake, Coquitlam Free!



Family Day at PdA - Nov 30th | 1 - 3PM | Place
Des Arts, Coquitlam, Free!

Remembrance Day Toonie Skate - Nov 11th
| 12 - 2:15PM | Bill Copeland Sports Center,
Burnaby, \$2 Admission

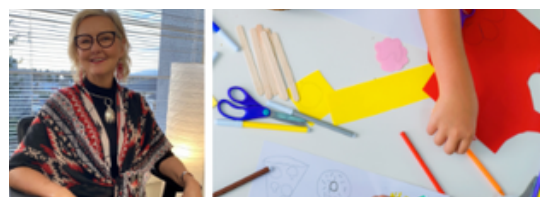


Edmonds Festival of Lights - Nov 29th,
| 2:30 - 5:30PM | Edmond's Community Center,
New Westminster, Free!

Holiday Cheer at the Pier - Nov 29th | 5-7PM |
Rocky Point, Port Moody, Free!

Babytime - November 13th | 11-11:30AM | Terry
Fox Library, Port Coquitlam, Free!

Crafting Connections with Elder Maria Reed -
November 17th | 10:30AM-12:30PM | WFC Tri-
Cities, Port Coquitlam, Free!



Family Resources

This month, we're excited to welcome a special guest at our Bettie Allard Drop-in Program — the Family Navigator from Westcoast—on November 18th!

Parents and caregivers of children aged 0–5 are invited to join for fun activities like art, songs, stories, and skill-building. It's also a great chance to socialize, connect with other families, and access helpful resources on child development and parenting.

Sign up for CCRR updates to stay informed about special guests and program availability. Check out the full schedule of our community drop-in programs in Burnaby, New Westminster, and the Tri-Cities here.

Child Care News

- Province to Enhance Child Care Accessibility: The Province has proposed new legislation to help school districts in B.C. facilitate additional child care options on school premises. Check out the full press release for more details.
- New Training Opportunities for Early Childhood Educators: Early Childhood Educators of BC is excited to announce six new public cohorts for the Best Choices: The Ethical Journey training, running from October 2025 to March 2026. Additionally, a new calendar has been added to their website, allowing you to conveniently view courses, workshops, and community events all in one location: Training and Events.
- Congratulations to the Prime Minister's Awards Recipients: A heartfelt congratulations to this year's winners of the Prime Minister's Awards! These accolades recognize exceptional elementary and secondary school teachers across various disciplines, as well as early childhood educators for their innovative practices. Discover the winners here.
- Nominate an Exceptional Early Childhood Educator: Recognize an early childhood educator (ECE) for their outstanding leadership and dedication to nurturing children's foundational development. Find out how to submit a nomination here.

Articles of Interest

Remembrance Day: How to explain it to a toddler? It's a day to honour the brave soldiers who gave their lives to protect our country, and those who continue to serve for our freedom. While the history behind it is complex, it's important to help children understand the meaning of this day in ways they can relate to.

Inclusive Child Care resources and supports: All children thrive in inclusive child care environments that embrace and celebrate the diverse identities of children, families, and staff. Child care professionals are dedicated to creating inclusive programs, but they sometimes require assistance to ensure that every child can participate fully. Some child care experts specialize in inclusivity, while others are just beginning their journey towards it. To establish genuinely inclusive child care as a fundamental service, a comprehensive, system-wide approach to inclusion is essential. British Columbia's Inclusive Child Care Strategy outlines this holistic approach.



Public Support for Child Care Programs in Canada: This survey reveals significant public backing for policies aimed at improving the affordability and accessibility of high-quality child care services for preschool-aged children. Click here to read the full survey.

New Report: Vast Majority of Canadian Kids are Bullied and Don't Feel Supported in School: A recent report reveals that a significant number of Canadian children experience bullying and lack support in their schools. It identifies the ten most pressing threats to childhood, which are worsening, with alarming rates of bullying, mental health struggles, and poverty. The report urges policymakers and all Canadians to take immediate action and emphasizes the importance of youth engagement in developing effective solutions.

YMCA CCRR ... Did you know?



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Did you know that 25 pedagogists are working across more than 30 communities? They provide direct, in-person support to early childhood programs and are planning a variety of professional learning opportunities —both in-person and online— through collaborations with partners like ECEBC, CCRR programs, and ECE faculty. Visit their website to learn more!

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



Traditional Foods Kit: 48055



This kit is ideal for sharing during the fall season, featuring a selection of nutritious indigenous foods sourced from the land, the ocean, and foraged items. Children will have the chance to explore various cooking practices that have been passed down for thousands of years and are still used today. These include traditional methods such as utilizing a smokehouse and techniques for preparing fish. The play-based learning experience incorporates interactive playsets, which consist of a 20-piece cooking pot set and a cedar gathering basket filled with berries—perfect for practicing counting and identifying colors.



Continue your learning: Connect to the [First Peoples Principles of Learning](#) through the Early Learning Framework.

Check out our [Indigenous Resource Catalogue](#) and then [reserve](#) your kit today!

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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