



Office of Child Care
and Family Resources
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

BADGER BUZZ



Photo by Perri Moran

September Updates & Events for UW Parents

This issue is packed with valuable updates and opportunities for UW-Madison parents. Discover upcoming parenting classes, register for the first-ever Fathers in Focus Conference, and learn about the WI Shares income limit increase. Plus, find out how you can get involved in advocating for student parents on campus.

Important Dates:

September 2nd - Labor Day (Holiday)

September 4th - First day of Fall Term

September 13th - Deadline to drop a fall term course and receive 100% tuition adjustment



Welcome back, Badgers!

On behalf of the UW-Madison OCCFR, I extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to all new and returning parenting students for the upcoming academic year!

[Read message from Cigdem, Director](#)

That's So Punny!

Why was the math workbook so sad?

Scroll to the end to see answer.

**FALL 2024
PARENTING CLASSES**

All classes will be virtual, on Zoom

Setting Limits and Boundaries
Part 1: FRIDAY, Sept 13 12:00 - 1:15pm
Part 2: FRIDAY, Sept 20 12:00 - 1:15pm

Tantrums and Meltdowns
Part 1: WEDNESDAY, Oct 9 12:00 - 1:15pm
Part 2: WEDNESDAY, Oct 16 12:00 - 1:15pm

Parenting a Spirited/Sensitive Child
Part 1: WEDNESDAY, Nov 13 12:00 - 1:15pm
Part 2: WEDNESDAY, Nov 20 12:00 - 1:15pm

Raising Healthy Eaters
Part 1: FRIDAY, Dec 6 12:00 - 1:15pm

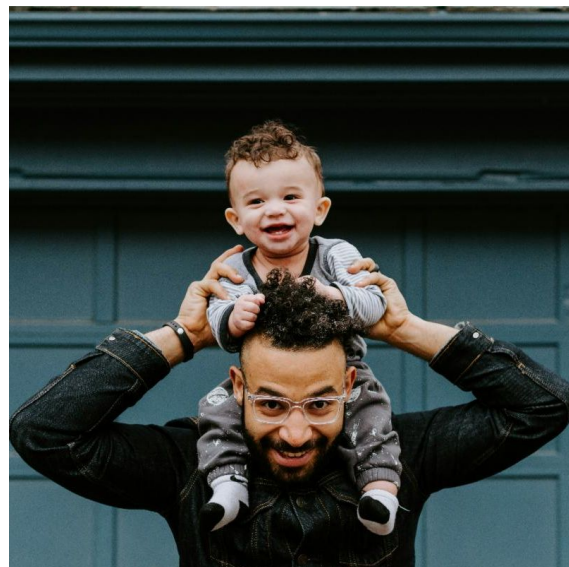
*All classes are free and open to current UW-
Madison students or employees
Registration is required*

Free OCCFR Virtual Parenting Classes, register today!

Registration is now open for our Fall virtual parenting classes with early childhood and parenting specialist Dr. Laura Froyen.

These free classes are open to all UW-Madison students and employees as well as spouses/partners

Join us as we dive into topics like **setting boundaries, managing**



Fathers In Focus Conference

Friday, October 11, 2024
7:30 am-5:00 pm
Monona Terrace
FREE!

Join us at the first-ever Fathers In Focus Conference, designed to bring together fathers, family advocates, community leaders and experts to engage in meaningful discussions, workshops and networking opportunities about fatherhood.

tantrums and meltdowns, and raising healthy eaters.

Registration closes September 15th.

Sign me
up!

Register today!

Wisconsin Shares child care subsidy income limit increase

On July 1st, Wisconsin Shares increased its income limits, allowing more families to receive assistance paying for child care. Follow the link below to view new eligibility guidelines and check your eligibility!

[Learn More](#)



Safety Alert! Water beads can be deadly if swallowed

Water beads are marketed as sensory toys for children and look harmless – almost like candy – but can be dangerous to babies and small children if ingested. Water beads are small, often colorful balls of superabsorbent polymer that can grow 100X their original size when exposed to water, potentially causing internal injuries and even death if left undetected.

[Learn More](#)



Changes coming to ASM Student Bus Pass

Beginning August 12, 2024, students must order their bus passes online through UW Transportation Services before picking them up. Previously, students could pick up passes without placing an order.

[Learn More](#)



Fall KidsKare application now open

The application for Fall semester hourly/back-up care at Little Chicks Learning Academy is now open! Students receive 50 hours of free (if income eligible) or \$5/hour care, and UW faculty and staff receive 30 hours of care at \$5/hr.

[Learn More & Apply](#)



Seeking officers for the Wisconsin Student

Parents Organization (WISPO)

Are you a parenting student at UW? Do you have ideas about how campus or classrooms could better support parenting students? Join the WISPO leadership team to advocate for parenting student needs, co-host family events, and connect student parents with resources. Time commitment is flexible, from as little as a few hours a month.

[Email WISPO to learn more](#)



UPCOMING FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS

[Read to a Dog](#)

Sept 5, 3:30-5:00 PM
Madison Public Library - Sequoya

[Wild West Days](#)

Sept 6-8, varying times
Lions Park - Mazomanie

[Live from the Wonderground: The Funky JBeez](#)

Sept 6, 5:00-8:00 PM
Madison Children's Museum

[Free Thursday Evenings](#)

Sept 19 & 26, 4:00-8:00 PM
Madison Children's Museum

[Northside Festival](#)

Sept 7, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
Madison Mallards Stadium

[Heritage Fest](#)

Sept 7, 12:00-5:00 PM
Schumacher Farm Park - Waunakee

[New Glarus Family Fest](#)

Sept 8, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM
Village Park - New Glarus

[Storytime for Ages 5 & Under](#)

Sept 10, 10:30-11:15 AM
Monroe Street Library

[Picnic with an Author - Samantha Cora](#)

Sept 10, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Badger Prairie County Park Shelter

[Half-Pint Resale](#)

Sept 13-15, varying times
Mandt Community Center - Stoughton

[Warner Family Fun Night](#)

Sept 13, 5:30-8:00 PM
Warner Park Community Recreation Center, \$5/family

[Chinese Storytime with Tingting](#)

Sept 14, 10:00-11:30 AM
Madison Public Library - Sequoya

Toddler Dance Party

Sept 19, 10:00-11:00 AM

Madison Public Library - Sequoya

Child Support Legal Resource Clinic

Sept 20, 1:00-3:00 PM

Southwest Madison Employment Center

Trucks and Treasures

Sept 21, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Goodman Pool parking lots

Free Vision Screening

Sept 21, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Goodman South Library

Movie at the Glen - Elemental

Sept 22, 4:00-7:00 PM

The Glen Golf Park

The CRAYONS
GO BACK TO SCHOOL



Book of the Month: *The Crayons Go Back to School*

"The Crayons Go Back to School" by Drew Daywalt is a delightful children's book where colorful crayons are preparing for their first day back at school. Each crayon has its own personality and shares its unique feelings, anxieties, and excitement about returning to the classroom. Through humorous and relatable narratives, the book encourages young readers to embrace their own back-to-school experiences, offering comfort and fun in the process.

[Read Aloud Storytime](#)



Craft of the Month: Musical Apple Shaker

September marks the beginning of school and possibly the first time children spend in a classroom. Apple crafts are a fun way to incorporate back to school, autumn, harvest, and seed growing into learning. With only paper plates, paint, beans or rice, and staples children have a project that will keep them moving! Once complete, they can shake their apples to explore rhythm and sound, combining creativity with sensory and fine motor skill development.

[Learn More](#)

Chef's Corner

Applesauce Muffins



Preheat the oven to 350 and line a muffin tin. Mix together wet and dry ingredients separately. Slowly add dry ingredients to wet, stirring well. Fill liners $\frac{2}{3}$ and bake for 20 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean.

Ingredients:

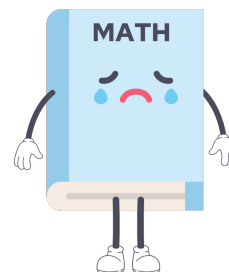
1 cup applesauce
3 tbsp oil or mashed banana
2 tbsp milk
2 tsp vanilla extract
2 tsp white vinegar
1 cup flour
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp baking soda
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp baking powder
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp cinnamon

Recipe from *chocolatecoveredkatie.com*

Answer:

Why was the math workbook so sad?

Because he had too many problems!



If you enjoy reading our newsletter, please consider making a gift to support our mission.



Make a Gift

Keep in Touch



[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!