

# BADGER BUZZ



## October Updates & Events for UW Parents

Fall is in the air! The days may be getting cooler but there are plenty of family-friendly activities to explore, indoors and out.

Read on for fun autumn activities for toddlers and preschoolers, a warming tortellini soup recipe for chilly nights, and upcoming kid-friendly events.

And student parents, mark your calendars! Complete your application for a [Child Care Tuition Assistance Program \(CCTAP\)](#) award by Friday, October 14 to be eligible for a full award (or submit by November 14 for a prorated award).

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## Infant Development Play Group - Mondays From 10-11 am

Drop by our infant play group and learn about your baby's growth and development with Dr. Froyen and fellow UW parents. Watch your little one as they interact with each other and learn to explore their world.

**September 12 – November 14**  
**Open to Students, Faculty, & Staff**  
**0-18 months only please**

[Learn More & Sign Up](#)



## UW Student Parent & Caregiving Student Survey - \$25 Gift Card Drawing!

Make your voice heard and share feedback that will help fellow student parents and caregiving students like you.

**Open to any UW-Madison student parent or caregiving student 18 years+ (pregnant, parenting, or guardians of youth under the age of 18 and/or dependent adults)**

[Take me to the survey](#)

## Autumn Activities for Kids

Find loads of ideas using leaves, acorns, pumpkins, apples, and so much more. These fall activity ideas are perfect for toddlers and preschoolers, but fun for big kids too.

[See Autumn Activities](#)



## Save Tax-Free Dollars to Use Towards Child Care Expenses

Faculty and most staff are eligible to use a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) to withhold tax-free dollars from your paycheck to pay for child care expenses. Sign up during UW's Open Enrollment by Oct 21.

[Learn More](#)



## On Campus Flu Shots Available

Flu shots protect you, your family, as well as your



child care teachers and the families they serve.

Flus shots are FREE for all students. Available through December 8th at the Gordon Dining & Event Center.

[Learn More](#)



## Simple Ways to Help Your Child Become a Better Problem Solver

Our first reaction as parents is to immediately step in when our children struggle, but giving them time and space to work through challenges helps them develop problem-solving and perseverance skills.

Learn how the new show PBS KIDS show “Rosie’s Rules” demonstrates how to let kids figure things out for themselves.



[Learn More](#)

## UPCOMING FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS

### [Book Buddies](#)

City Dog Veterinary Clinic, 1004 East Washington Street, Madison, WI  
October 8 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

### [Wu-Tang is for the Children – Dance Party](#)

High Noon Saloon  
October 8, Doors: 11:30 a.m./Show: 11:30 a.m.

### [Welcoming Fall Family Nature Program](#)

UW-Madison Arboretum  
October 9 Nature walk: 1–2 p.m., nature activities: 2–3 p.m.

### [S.T.E.A.M Saturday](#)

Monona Public Library, 1000 Nichols Rd, Madison, WI  
October 15 from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

### [Family Halloween](#)

Downtown Madison  
October 26 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

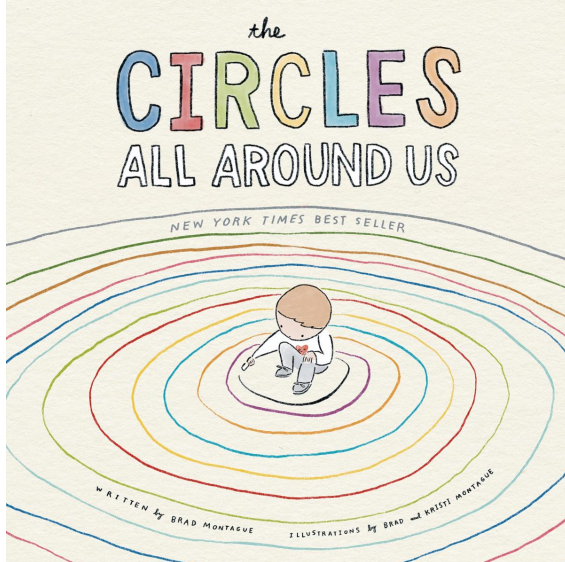
### [Fall Fun at Family Acres!](#)

Enchanted Valley Acres, LLC  
Open every Saturday & Sunday from September 10th- October 30th

### [Halloween Costume Toddler Dance Party](#)

Central Library  
October 31 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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**BOOK OF THE MONTH:**  
*The Circles All Around Us* by Brad Montague

This is the story of a circle. When we're first born, our circle is very small, but as we grow and build relationships, our circle keeps getting bigger and bigger to include family, friends, neighbors, community, and beyond.

[Read Aloud Storytime](#)



**Tortellini Soup With Italian Sausage & Kale**

This ultra Creamy Tortellini Soup with Italian Sausage and Kale is a perfect for cold nights and the 30 minute dinner of your dreams.

[View the Recipe](#)



## New! Student Parent Resource Page

Check out our new webpage full of helpful resources for student parents (housing, utilities, food, transportation, healthcare, emergency resources and more!)

[See the new "More Resources" page](#)

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