

May Highlights

Celebrating May 10th: Provider Appreciation Day

Thank you for all of the work you do taking care of our community's young children!



The very first **4-C Inclusion Conference**, focused on supporting neurodiverse early learners, was a resounding success!

We hosted **44** conference attendees who listened to speakers from:

- GiGi's Playhouse
- The Waisman Center
- The WI Registry
- The Sensory Zone
- Dr. Nakia Wiley Ed.D.

A special thank you to:

- 4-C Board Member Delechia Johnson for giving opening remarks

- Vendor: Feathers Edge by SW
- Vendor: The Keep Calm Sensory Zone pop-up shop

Community organization who shared a wealth of information and resources:

- United Cerebral Pasley and Birth-to-Three Connections
- Outdoor Kids OT
- Family Voices of WI
- Logan's Heart and Smiles
- Madison Children's Museum
- Madison Reading Project

4-C staff Bonnie shares, “A big shout out to Myra and Elisa for all their help during the day and afterwards for clean-up. Kudos to Amanda for all the planning and having the vision to make this day happen. She deserves a standing ovation for all her work! Way to go!”

4-C in the Community



Did you see our billboard?

4-C joined the **Sauk Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce** and used our billboard perk to celebrate child care providers!

Stop by our booth (#57) on **June 20th** at the *Let the Good Times Boil - Community Expo!*

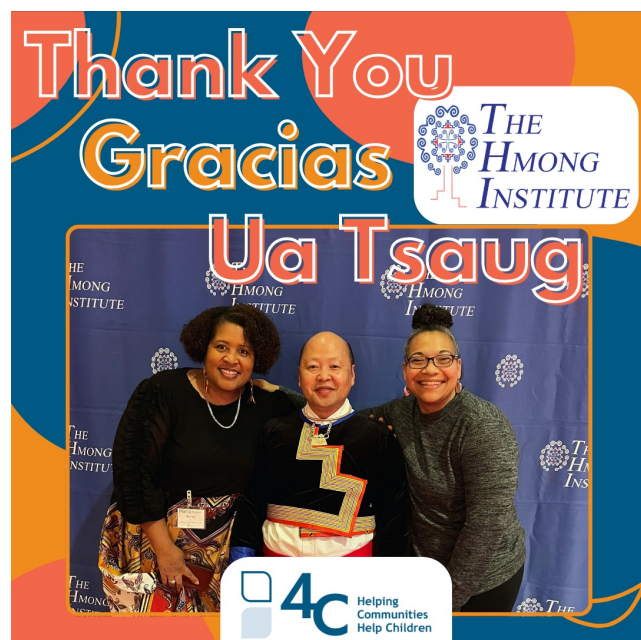
[Learn More](#)

Partner With 4-C

Thank you, Peng from the **Hmong Institute**, for inviting 4-C staff **Marlo** and **Briana** to attend the *Hmong Heritage Dinner* on May 3rd!

Congratulations to **Madison Reading Project**, who unveiled a new ADA-compliant book bus during their May 18th *Book Bus Palooza* event at the Kohl Center! 4-C staff **Caroline** attended the celebration.

Invite Us to Your Event



For Child Care Providers

Attention ALL Child Care Providers!

April Vacancy Survey Winners!



Each day you fill out your vacancy survey you'll be entered to win one of these prizes:

Monthly: Five lucky winners each receive a \$25 gift card!

Questions? Need a new link?
Contact Christie at christie.voigt@4-c.org

4-C uses responses from this survey to assist families in finding child care openings.



[Learn More](#)

Help us advocate for the Child and Adult Care Food Program!

[Take Action!](#)

2024 Wages Benefits and Staffing Survey Prize Winners

Click this [link](#) to see who won

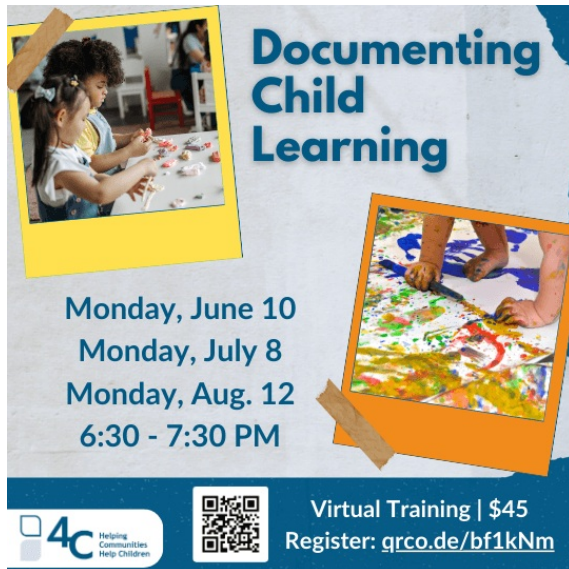
Prize winners, check your inbox for an email from Christie.

YoungStar Analysis and Improvement Survey

The Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF) needs your help in analyzing and improving YoungStar, our state's Quality Rating and Improvement System for child care.

[Survey Link](#)



[Learn More](#)



Documenting Child Learning

Monday, June 10
Monday, July 8
Monday, Aug. 12
6:30 - 7:30 PM

Virtual Training | \$45
Register: grco.de/bf1kNm

The poster features two Polaroid-style photos: one of a child and an adult interacting at a table, and another of hands painting on a large sheet of paper. The text is in a clean, sans-serif font, with the title in a larger, bold font.

4-C Training Opportunities

4-C offers high quality trainings and career growth to early care and education professionals at various stages of their professional development.

Upcoming trainings include:

- 6/4 - [CPR/AED](#)
- 6/5 - [An Introduction to Developing Emotional Literacy](#)
- 6/10, 7/8, 8/12 - [Documenting Child Learning](#)

[Receive Training Updates](#)

[View Our Event Calendar](#)

Resources:

[Early Childhood Health Consultation](#) - a FREE child health and safety resource

[Child Care Provider Resource Guide](#) from the Department of Children and Families

[Tuesday Talks](#) with DCF's Division of Early Care and Education ([Información en español](#))

[The National Early Care and Education Workforce Center](#) - elevating ECE workforce

For Families



Are you expecting a new baby or considering a change in child care?

Use our FREE Child Care Referral service!



[Start Your Search](#)

Parent Cafés engage parents/caregivers in meaningful conversations about what matters most – their family and how to strengthen that family by building protective factors.

[Learn More](#)

4-C is looking for Parent Volunteers to help us with our family-centered programming.

Learn more through our United Way of Dane County Volunteer Your Time profile, or contact our staff directly.

[Volunteer Your Time](#)

[Contact Us](#)



Upcoming Play and Learn Groups

Playful Acorns & 4-C Play Group

(Oregon)

- June 6th from 9:30am - 11:00am
- Oregon Public Library
- [Registration Required](#)

4-C is partnering with Playful Acorns to offer Play and Learn play groups for children ages birth - 5 years in communities across Dane County.



UW Extension Trainings

Focus on Fathers

- *June 11th - Relax and Enjoy Fathering*
- *July 9th - Fathers Help Children Handle Emotions*
- *August 13th - Fathers Help Children Make Good Choices*

[Learn more and Register](#)

UW Extension Website



Parenting as Children Grow

Learning to support your child's growth at every age and stage

Being a great parent doesn't come naturally. The truth is that every family learns as they go. Gaining knowledge of parenting and child development can help you set realistic expectations, encourage positive behaviors and feel prepared for new challenges as children grow.

Learn More

Resources:

Wisconsin Department of Children and Families - [Plain Talk for Parents](#)

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