

July Newsletter

Fisher Early Learning Center



(Photo above: Abiyoyos PreK children)

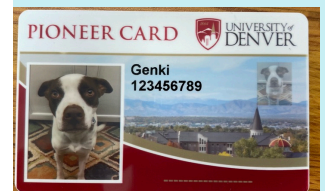
Greetings!

I am excited to send our first Monthly Newsletter of this school year. Each month, you will find Center information including, **Center Updates, Message from the Front Desk, Curriculum Corner, JEDI collaborative, FIT (Fisher Inclusion Team), Reminders & Important dates, and more!** (If you read to the end you will learn **Fisher Fun Facts** each month!) As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions. Thank you! Yoshie (Associate Director)

Safety Comes First.

The safety of your children and staff is our top priority. At

Message from Front Desk (Melanie & Casey)



GOT DU ID CARD?

Your DU ID is your authorized access to the building. If you do not have your DU ID, please contact Front Desk.

Did you check in/out your child today?



We are required to record each child's attendance each day. If you and your caregivers need to be registered in the Procure system with your fingerprint, please stop by Front Desk!

Fisher, in collaboration with DU Campus Safety, we practice 3 types of emergency drills throughout year per CDHS regulations: **Evacuation (fire); Lockdown (active shooter); and Shelter in Place (Tornado)**. Except July and August, all the rest of drills will be conducted without advance notice. Your children participated in our first Fire drills on July 10 and Tornado drills on July 19. We scheduled all the drills right at the beginning of school year so that everyone becomes familiar with what to do and where to go in case of emergency situations. *(Photo right: Roly Polys infants at Fire drills)*



FACTS System Update

FACTS is a web-based platform that manages Enrollment, Student Information, and Financial Management including Financial Aid. We are hoping to be ready to register your child in the system in August. Once system registration is completed you will receive confirmation from FACTS.

Financial Aid (FA)

Once you are registered in FACTS, you will then be able to upload your financial documents. I would encourage you to start gathering your tax returns and financial documents now. Any aid awarded will be prorated to your account for July and August. *Please note that there will be a \$40 non-refundable application fee for FA. If you are awarded the aid, this \$40 will be credited to your account. If you are not awarded, that fee will then be transferred to our Scholarship Funds.*

JEDI (Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) Corner

Hello, my name is Kathleen Casanova. My daughter is in Moon Bears toddler classroom. **I am one of the newly formed JEDI (Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) Committee of Fisher parents. We are excited to be working alongside Fisher faculty and staff to help realize the school's long-held mission of creating an inclusive community at all levels. As we are still new, we are currently meeting regularly to identify our goals and plan for the**



year (our first meeting was on 7/19). As we know more, we look forward to sharing details, resources and events that we hope will help enrich and strengthen our schools' culture and community. If you have ideas, questions and/or feedback you'd like to share, feel free to reach out to Mary.Requena@du.edu. Look forward to having you there soon!

("Chicka Chicka Boom Boom There's always enough room!" Denver Pride Parade 06/25/2023)

Fisher Inclusion Team (FIT)

Is your child a picky eater? Do you have question about your child's development? We are here for you!

As Inclusion preschool, Fisher Inclusion Team is a vital part of our program at Fisher. They are here to provide consultation, modeling and support for children, families and teachers as part of Fisher's mission to serve children of all needs and abilities.

Please contact [Meaghan Burns](mailto:Meaghan.Burns), our new Curriculum Instructional Specialist (a former Lead teacher and Fisher parent) and FIT coordinator for any questions and inquiries about FIT. Fisherinclusionteam@du.edu

What is FIT (Fisher Inclusion Team)?

The Fisher Inclusion Team is a transdisciplinary team that is comprised of a Team Coordinator, Early Interventionist, Speech/ Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist and Social Worker.

The transdisciplinary approach allows the different team members to discuss next steps collaboratively, ensuring that all areas of development are considered prior to recommending services. Additionally, with this approach, the team is able to work together to create classroom strategies and goals with a common focus

We consider each child's parents, teachers, and private service providers to be vital members of each child's team. FIT provides consultation, modeling, and support for children, families, and teachers as part of Fisher's mission to serve children of all needs and abilities.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES

- **Fisher summer break** July 24 - August 4, 2023 (Building will be closed due to HVAC replacement)
- **Staff PD day (no children)** August 7, 2023
- **Fisher Family Forum Feeding Clinic with Joan McMullen, OT** (in August- stay tuned!)
- **Parent Advisory Committee/Room Parents Breakfast** Friday, August 18, 2023 8:30-10am
- **Back to School Night** Thursday, September 14, 2023 5:30-7pm

Fisher Fun Facts: 5 teachers went to see *Taylor Swift* last weekend that is about 10% of Fisher staff! Were you there too?