

CHILD CARE CORNER

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!! IMPORTANT CHANGES !!

Child Care Certificate Changes

As a result of new regulations released from the state, most cases will need a new certificate completed by 10/01/06. Please review any new certificates you may receive, sign and date, and return them as soon as possible. We will be working intensely in the next few months to implement the new regulations and issue payments timely. Remember, if your reimbursement request is received by the 5th of the month **and is complete and correct**, you will receive a payment by the 1st of the following month. Thank you for your patience.

Required Income Verification

Monthly income verification is now required for **ALL** parents receiving Subsidized Child Care. **Regardless if you are on TANF**, all parents will be required to turn in all check stubs and other income verification monthly with their reimbursement requests effective 10/01/06.

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REMINDERS

▶ **White-out is not accepted** on any Child Care form. Your reimbursement or paperwork will be returned if there is white-out on it and payment may be delayed.

▶ **FREE Child Care Consultation Help!**

- Do you care for a child that has abnormal difficulties separating from their parent?
- Are they too quiet, unable to play with others, too fearful or constantly worried, has a hard time controlling their behavior and are impulsive or aggressive?

If you answer yes to either of these you can get help from Stanislaus County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services under the Leaps and Bounds Program. This program offers mental health child care consultation services and focuses on early intervention services with children 0 to 5 years of age who may be experiencing social and emotional behavioral issues. A consultation team visits sites and works in collaboration with the childcare provider to create a plan suited for the child's needs. They also train care providers and parents and make appropriate referrals to outside resources. These services are available for **FREE** due to funding from Children's and Families Commission of Stanislaus County/Prop 10. For more information call us at **(209) 558-4595** and ask for Shammy Devito or Jennifer Baker.



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STIMULATING A CHILD'S MIND

IMAGINE IT INC.

A non-profit corporation operated by certified teachers inviting you to bring your children to join the fun while participating in hands-on activities, school field trips, learning about Science, Fine Arts, and more.

Open *Wednesday* through *Friday*: 3:15 -6:00 and
on *Sat* 12:00-5:00

Guided Activities on *Saturdays*: 1:00-3:00

Story Hour/Puppet Show on *Saturdays*: 3:00-4:00

Group visits and School Field Trips available for up to 60 persons at \$3.00 per student by appointment. Fee includes 30 minute hands-on lesson of selected topics.

For more information call (209) 537-9700 or visit us at www.imagineitmuseum.org.



JUST FOR FUN

CHEESY QUESADILLA

Prep Time: 5 minutes

Cooking Time: 5 minutes per quesadilla

**1 ½ cups Kraft Mexican Style
Shredded Four Cheese**

2 Tbsp. green onion slices

12 flour tortillas

¾ cup salsa

MIX cheese and onion. Spoon about 2 Tbsp. of the cheese mixture onto center of each tortilla: fold tortilla over to completely enclose filling, making a half-moon shape.

SPRAY a large skillet with cooking spray. Cook 1 or 2 quesadillas at a time on medium-high heat for 2 to 3 minutes on each side, or until crisp and lightly browned on both sides.

CUT each quesadilla into thirds.

Serve warm with salsa.

Makes 18 servings, 2 wedges each