

# April 2018

## CSHCS Newsletter



KALAMAZOO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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Health and Community Services Department

Helping our children grow and develop into beautiful people is a part of life's greatest gifts. This month, CSHCS is going to shower you with knowledge and events in order to help your child become the best and brightest of all. We have included information on summer camps, activities for yourself and the kiddos, and more!

### Happy spring!

## GREAT START PARENT COALITION

This is an opportunity for parents, guardians, and caregivers to voice their feedback, questions, and concerns to friendly KRESA staff about their child's education.

This welcoming family event will take place on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30PM-7:30PM.

Address:

4606 Croyden (KRESA West Campus)

For more information contact, Martha Lehman:

Email: [Martha.lehamn@kresa.org](mailto:Martha.lehamn@kresa.org)




Phone: 269-250-9665





## THREE & FOUR YEAR OLDS, THIS ONE IS FOR YOU!

**It is that time of year- sign-up for great start and other pre-kindergarten programs! This is just the start of the most progressive educational and social development your child will experience.**



**Requirements include:**

-  **3 years-old before December 1<sup>st</sup> for the three year old program**
-  **4 years-old before December 1<sup>st</sup> for the four year old program and Head Start.**
-  **Have a copy of their birth certificate, proof of county residency, and verification of all family income for the past 12 months in access when filling out the application.**

**Where to apply:**

-  **Online:**  
<http://kresa.org/Page/1368>
-  **Mail: Address and paper application online at above website.**

**Questions?**

-  **Call: 269-250-9333**
-  **Email: [hsenroll@kresa.org](mailto:hsenroll@kresa.org)**

## BAY CLIFF HEALTH CAMP

Summer is just around the corner and everyone is looking for ways to keep their child active! This camp is a great experience for students with physical challenges. If you are interested in this camp, please contact Children's Special Health Care Services, or a physician for a referral form as soon as possible! The closure date is rapidly approaching, however there is always next summer to plan for!

## CEILING AND STAIR LIFT PROJECT

The Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation is committed to helping families purchase ceiling and stair lifts for eligible applicants. They have now opened their application review process to a bi-annual system in May and September.

Requirements for the application and submission dates are posted on the website below.

The May application review deadline is April 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM!

More Information:

[www.michigan.gov/csnfund](http://www.michigan.gov/csnfund) or

Call: 517-241-7420

## PARENT MENTOR TRAINING

Parents, caregivers, and guardians, your grace and support towards one another is being sought out by the Family Center! They are looking for people with children who have physical, developmental, emotional, behavioral, and medical conditions to support other parents who have children that have recently been diagnosed. This is a great opportunity for you and other parents to share your ups and downs in a comfortable and open setting.

A training to be a parent mentor will be offered this month in Traverse City on April 28<sup>th</sup>!

Location:

Traverse Bay Area  
Intermediate School District  
1101 Red Dr.  
Traverse City, MI 49684

Additional Information:

Family Center: 1-800-359-3722  
Email: [leavitta1@michigan.gov](mailto:leavitta1@michigan.gov)

Assistance with travel, lodging, and/or childcare is available!



For next month's Newsletter please go to "Hot Topics" as <http://www.kalamazoo.com/hcs/default.asp> or find it on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/KalamazooCountyHCS/>. If you have questions or concerns please call the Family Phone Line at 1-800-359-3722 or the Kalamazoo CSHCS Program Representative, Heather, at 269-373-5015.

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