

YMCA CCRR Events

Inclusion in Child Care - July 4th, 7-9pm, Online Via Zoom, \$10.

The Importance of Sleep & Nutrition for Children - July 6th, 9:30am-2pm, Coquitlam CCRR, \$20.

Toddlers, the Ultimate Scientists - July 10th, 7-9pm, Coquitlam CCRR, \$10.

Teaching and Facilitating Social-Emotional Skills - July 13th, 9:30am-12:45pm, Online Via Zoom, \$15.

Express Yourself: The Arts for Young Children - July 18th, 7-9pm, Online Via Zoom, \$10.

Introduction to Neuropsychology: Learning & Memory - July 20th, 9:30am-2pm, Coquitlam CCRR, \$20.

Visit myymca.ca to register!

YMCA CCRR Event Photos



Did you get photographed at one of our events? Check out our social media to see if you were featured!



YMCA CCRR Program News

Happy Pride, everyone! At the YMCA Child Care Resource and Referral, we honor LGBTQ2+ voices, culture, and rights. Our early learning library boasts a wide range of Pride resources showcasing families and children from all walks of life. If you need guidance on incorporating our resources into your curriculum, feel free to reach out! The YMCA CCRR is committed to assisting you year-round in creating a more inclusive, welcoming, and supportive environment for all in your child care and early learning practices.

Our summer will be a busy one here at the YMCA CCRR. At selected outdoor parks in the communities of Burnaby, Coquitlam, and New Westminister, we'll be offering free programming for children aged 0-6. Join us for stories, activities, circle time, and more! For further details, please see the following poster for your local community: [Burnaby – Maywood Park](#) | [Coquitlam – Glen Park](#) | [Coquitlam – Cottonwood Park](#) | [New Westminister – Queen's Park](#).

We have been diligently working behind the scenes to enhance the representation of Indigenous materials in our early learning resource library. Starting this June, and gradually expanding to our other office locations, we have introduced a dedicated shelf in our Coquitlam library to showcase and highlight Indigenous resources. If you need assistance with how to integrate these resources into your early learning practices, please reach out to us – we are here to help.

Furthermore, we have updated our [Indigenous Catalogue](#) to help better showcase the diverse and abundant offerings of Indigenous materials in our library. We encourage you to explore these resources and discover ways to incorporate them into your Truth & Reconciliation efforts.

YMCA CCRR Program Features

Our updated [Summer Seasonal Resource](#) sheet is now available, featuring some thoughtful changes. If you need program planning prompts, BC Early Learning Framework ideas, or insightful suggestions for your early learning practices, please give it a read. It now also has a child care provider section – a place where we eagerly await your feedback and input. Are you a child care provider who'd like to share a "trace" of their practice with us? Or do you have an idea about how our seasonal resource sheet could better meet your curriculum and program planning needs? If so, please let us know.

Our New Westminister office (located at [10-620 Royal Avenue](#)) is now open five days a week, and with extended hours! Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9AM-4:30PM, Tuesday: 10:30AM-6PM. In addition, our Burnaby office (located at [4460 Beresford](#), 3rd floor) is now open every Saturday, just like our office in Coquitlam (located at [1130C Austin](#)). Come visit us and say hi, we'd love to see you!

Community Events

Summer Season at Burnaby Village Museum: June 13th to September 2nd, 11am-4:30pm, Burnaby Village Museum.

July Summer Craft Mornings: Sunday mornings in July, 11am-12pm, Coquitlam Heritage at Mackin House, RSVP appreciated.



Emergency Vehicle Show 'n Shine: July 19th, 9:30am-1:00pm, Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex.

Burnaby Pride Festival: July 20th, 1-7pm, Bonsor Field.



Rockstars of Queensborough: July 20th, 10am-2pm, Ryall Park Picnic Shelter.

Uptown Live: July 27th, 4-9:30pm, 6th Street and 6th Ave.

Family Resources

See the below for drop-in programs to attend during the day with children that are aged 0-5.

- [Burnaby](#)
- [New Westminster](#)
- [Tri-Cities](#)

Please note that YMCA CCRR's [Bettie Allard family drop-in program](#) will be closed over the summer. Additionally, due to unexpected construction work taking place at James Park Annex, our [Circle of Friends family resource program](#) will be closed during July and August. Programming at both these locations will resume in September of 2024. Thank you for your understanding.

Child Care News

The latest [ChildCareBC Bulletin](#) brings our attention to:

- B.C. Inclusive Child Care Strategy and report now available
- Reminder: Solicitation for Francophone Child Care Resource and Referral services closes soon
- ChildCareBC New Spaces Fund is open until August 2, 2024
- Regional Engagements on Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care now concluded
- Emergency Management Resource package for child care facilities and school districts
- Reminder: Submit your application to the ECEBC Education Support Fund by end of day today

B.C. Ministry of Education and Child Care (June 2024):

- [Where All Children Belong: B.C. Inclusive Child Care Strategy](#)
- [Equity, Inclusion and Child Care In B.C. Engagement Report](#)

Fraser Health - [Plan ahead to prepare for heat events this summer](#): "With warmer temperatures on the way and weather experts forecasting a hot summer, Fraser Health is encouraging people to plan ahead to protect themselves and their loved ones during heat events."



YMCA CCRR Services ... We are here to help!

Families

- Child Care Information and Referrals, including community referrals.
- Knowledge of ChildCareBC initiatives to help lessen the cost of child care (Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative) and support with the application process (Affordable Child Care Benefit).
- Workshops, drop-in programs and family programming to help assist you in your parenting journey.
- Early learning library resources for borrowing to help foster your child's development through play.

Child Care Providers and Child Care Workforce

- Information on becoming a Licensed Child Care Provider.
- Application assistance for ChildCareBC initiatives, i.e., Start Up Grant Funding, Wage Enhancement, Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative., etc.
- Workshops and courses to help nourish your early learning practices.
- Community referrals to help strengthen your child care programs.
- Professional networking opportunities to help widen your child care community.
- Early learning library resources for borrowing to help supplement your curricula and early learning provocations.

Articles of Interest

Coalition of Child Care Advocates - [What do British Columbians think about \\$10aDay Child Care? 2024 Provincial Poll Results](#): In March 2024, the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC worked with Research Co. 1 to conduct a provincial poll asking British Columbians about their views on \$10aDay child care. The poll results add to the extensive input we regularly receive from over 20,000 \$10aDay supporters and through outreach to and engagement in communities across the province. We also meet with government officials and carry out research and analysis – all to inform and update our \$10aDay policy and funding recommendations.

CBC - [B.C. United proposes top-up payments for child-care costs](#) - "British Columbia's Opposition party is pitching a child-care plan that includes giving money directly to families who are not part of the province's \$10-a-day program. B.C. United has also proposed better wages for early childhood educators and opening more child-care spaces in public facilities, including schools and hospitals."

ECPN - [The Here and Now: Reimagining Early Childhoods In Urgent Times, Issue 16](#): "...we also launched the re:materia exi'pit as a provocation for (re)thinking our collective wasting practices. An interactive studio space, the exi'pit invited visitors to come face-to-face with waste pollution and its implications for daily practices in early years centres. Curated by Capilano University instructor and atelierista Tatiana Zakarova-Goodman and supported pedagogically by ECPN pedagogists, the exi'pit asked us to take seriously how we, as educators, are implicated in wasting practices and how might respond."

Early Learning Library Corner .. Summer!

While you are out exploring all that Canada has to offer, our Early Learning Resources provide fantastic opportunities to enhance your understanding of Canada and its resources. This includes learning about the diverse creatures that inhabit our oceans, forests, fields, and rivers.



09388 Canada



31507 Carson Crosses Canada



10956 Forest Animals



09537 Map of Canada



19742 World Map



38759 Caravan Camping Tent

Circle Time Resources



00619 Canada, Canada, what do you see?



17795 Summer Fun 1



06582 What Lives in a Shell?



10923 Over in the Meadow

Library Resources

Have you ever been to our Early Learning Resource Library? If not, go see our library video tour on YouTube, found [here!](#)

Interested in borrowing? Or need to renew your account? See our [Lending Library Agreement Form!](#)

Would you like to place holds on particular resources of our's that catch your eye? If so, use our [Early Learning Library Portal.](#)


Pictures more your style? View images of all the early learning resources we have available to borrow by viewing our [DropBox Catalogue!](#)




Social Media & YMCA CCRR Early Learning Library

On our social media platforms, we frequently showcase resources through our Exploring Materials series. Moreover, our Virtual Story Times highlight our resources in use, complete with song suggestions. Follow us to explore these offerings!



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