



UTC Children's Center

December 2021 Newsletter



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UTC CC Battle Staff

PreKindergarten: Anna Wright
 Preschool: Jean Walston
 Older Toddlers: Amy Blackburn
 Young Toddlers: Ann Mayer, Emma Blanton,
 TK Brooks
 Infants: Kelly Justet
 Staff Floaters:
 Administrative Support Assistant: Doreen Watt
 Coordinator: Stephanie Blaine

Lead Coordinator: Cindy Hornsby

UTC CC Brown Staff

PreKindergarten (up): Shawn Winters, Megan Williams
 PreKindergarten (down): Jennifer Hunt
 Preschool 2: Taylor Winnie
 Preschool 1: Beth Brinn, Ashley Burnette
 Toddler 2: Kathy Lindsey
 Toddler 1: Jameshia Borders
 Infants: Katie Griffin
 Staff Floaters: Bry Jones
 Administrative Specialist: Jackie Tate
 Coordinator: Regis Richard

UTC Children's Center December 2021 Lunch Menu

Lunch Box Catering

423-802-1938

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		1 Cheeseburger Mac Green Beans Oranges Milk	2 Cheese Pizza w/ Mozzarella Northern Beans Bananas Milk	3 BBQ Chicken Slider Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk
6 Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla Baked Beans Apples Milk	7 Baked Ham Mac & Cheese Peas Bananas Milk	8 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Carrots Oranges Milk	9 Chicken Alfredo Corn Bananas Milk	10 Cheeseburger Slider Tater Tots Apples Milk
13 Turkey & Cheese Roll-Up Pinto Beans Apples Milk	14 Baked Ziti w/ Beef Corn Bananas Milk	15 Teriyaki Chicken & Brown Rice Peas Oranges Milk	16 Beef & Cheese Pizza Roll-Up Green Beans Bananas Milk	17 Chicken Tenders Biscuit Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk
20 Chicken Patty Slider Carrots Apples Milk	21 Beef a Roni Green Beans Bananas Milk	22 Creamy Chicken Brown Rice Casserole Peas Oranges Milk	23 Spinach & Cheese Quesadillas Northern Beans Bananas	24 UTC CC Closed Winter Holiday
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UTC Children's Center December 2021 Veg Lunch Menu

Lunch Box Catering

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		1 Black Bean Mac Green Beans Oranges Milk	2 Cheese Pizza w/ Mozzarella Northern Beans Bananas Milk	3 BBQ Veggie Slider Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk
6 Spinach & Cheese Quesadilla Baked Beans Apples Milk	7 Roast Veggies Mac & Cheese Peas Bananas Milk	8 Spaghetti w/ Marinara Sauce Carrots Oranges Milk	9 Mushroom Alfredo Corn Bananas Milk	10 Veggie Slider Tater Tots Apples Milk
13 Hummus & Cheese Roll-Up Pinto Beans Apples Milk	14 Baked Ziti w/ Veggies Corn Bananas Milk	15 Teriyaki Chickpeas & Brown Rice Peas Oranges Milk	16 Cheese Pizza Roll-Up Green Beans Bananas Milk	17 Veggie Tenders Biscuit Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk
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Coordinator's Corner (Battle)



November Recap

- Ronald McDonald House Sharing & Caring Thankful Project 2021

Thank you to all who participated in our RMH Sharing & Caring Thankful Project. We exceed our goal and donated 300+ items to our local Ronald McDonald House! The house was thrilled with our contribution and we hope to continue this partnership.

Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la Llama Llama Holiday Pajama Party

We will be wearing our holiday pajamas, eating pancakes, and reading Llama Llama books on Thursday, December 16th.



Classroom Holiday Parties

Your classroom teacher will be in contact regarding any holiday celebrations. Unfortunately, we cannot have visitors in the center but we can still party.

Parking at Market South

Market South has been in communication that parking in their lot has impacted business. They informed us that they will begin towing cars that are parked there, even if only for a brief period.

Announcements from Mrs. Doreen

- If you have a change in address, phone number, e-mail address, etc. notify Mrs. Doreen to have it updated in Procure. Please, also notify your classroom teacher(s).
- Make sure that we always have your child's most current Certificate of Immunization and Physical date.

Mark Your Calendars

- Friday, December 24–Thursday, December 30- UTC CC Closed (Winter Break)
- Friday, December 31, 2021- UTC CC Closed (2022 New Year's Day observed)

Have a very merry December and Winter Break!

-Stephanie

"Appreciate what you have, because someone else is wishing for it." -karon Waddell

Infants at Battle

Dear parents,

I hope everyone had a nice November and a Happy Thanksgiving! I'm so thankful for each of the infants in the room as well as every one of you. Thank you for everything!

Last month, we learned all about the healthy foods we can eat. Some of our infants got to eat some of the healthy fruits and vegetables we studied, for Thanksgiving! The class even had a blast painting with applesauce, one of our sensory/art activities for the month.

For the month of December, we'll be learning more about winter! The first day of winter begins December 21st so we'll be taking a closer look at snow, ice, snowmen, and winter clothing. We'll also be doing fun holiday themed projects to take home.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Remember we are off for winter break from December 23rd to January 3rd.


I hope everyone has a delightful December. Thank you!

-Ms.Kelly



Young Toddlers at Battle

Dear Parents,

During the month of December we will be concentrating on packages, stamps, and mail; wrapping paper and boxes. We will be mailing letters to your home so please check the mail with your toddler. Your toddlers will notice an increase in the arrival of packages in the mail or by delivery to the door and will spend a great deal of time wondering what all those boxes, packages and cards are for. We are going to have lots of fun shaking, rattling and opening packages and boxes as well as making letters/cards for family. 

The month of December is a very hectic month for families. Here are a few suggestions for dealing with your little one during this time.

1. Try to keep their schedule as close to normal as possible. Naps and bedtimes especially. Remember even if they don't sleep resting quietly in your arms or on a cushion will rejuvenate them almost as well as a true nap.
2. Stickers, chalk, and bubbles!!! Stickers are universally great for calming a cranky or bored child. You and they may be covered but OK! Chalk wipes, brushes, or vacuums off anything so 1-2 pieces of chalk and some dark paper are a great thing to keep on hand when traveling. ...and Bubbles!! Well no explanation needed for bubbles]
3. Expect your baby to be shy at parties or family gatherings, even with people they know. Give them a little time before asking for hugs and kisses from people especially from people they don't know well. (Please be careful this year, and maintain social distance.)

Have FUN!!

Thanks,
Ms. Ann, Ms.Emma, and Mr.TK



Older Toddlers at Battle

For the month of December, the Older Toddlers will learn all about themselves and their families.

We will be discussing our favorite things and activities and what we enjoy doing with our families.

There will be homework, as we will be sending things home to work on or asking you to bring things to school.

We will end the month (and year!) with a week of fairy tales.

Thank you for your support and for a wonderful (but very strange) year!!

Ms. Amy



Preschool at Battle

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome Mary Charles Maclellan and Pearse Greiner to the Preschool classroom. Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. I am glad to report we met our goal for the Ronald McDonald House caring and sharing box. Thank you so much for letting your child be a part of this great cause. Helps children learn about caring and sharing with others. Big shout out to all the parents who made our wishes come true from our wish list. We appreciate all of you so much. We have had lots of fun playing with our new manipulatives and toys.

Friday, December 17th will be our classroom holiday celebration party. It will be at 3:30 in the afternoon. Unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend at this time. We will have a special snack.

Thursday, December 16th will be holiday pancakes and pajamas. We love pancakes !

For the month of December we will be working on the following:

Holiday projects	Holidays around the world
Gingerbread Man	Fun activities

Hope everyone has a great holiday ! See you next year !

Ms. Jean

Prekindergarten at Battle

Dear Families,

We had a fun November! We learned about trees, gathered leaves, made kites, built with Legos, played on Clifford, cleaned, mopped, folded laundry, and focused on kindness in our class.

We're excited to welcome a new friend to Pre-K, Calla!

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns!

Thank you,
Anna



Battle Special Announcements



12-3: Colin Rogers

12-9: Emmy Messerly

12-15: Miss Emily

12-15: Dylan Dunston

12-18: Miss Becca T

12-30: Miss Aubrey

Infants at Brown

Toddler 1 at Brown

WOW! We have reached the last month of 2021. We are more than excited about the holiday season within the toddler one classroom. During the month of December we will be exploring our winter side with decorating of snowmen, holiday trees and much more. The cooler weather is here, please remember to bring and leave coats and jackets for outside play.



We would also like to Welcome Ellie Grace and the Reynold's family to the Toddler One Classroom. We look forward to having some fun.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. I thank you all for what you do for the Toddler Classroom.

Happy Holidays!

Ms. Jameshia



Toddler 2 at Brown

December Newsletter

Hello parents! Can you believe that we are at the end of 2021? With the end of the year comes the winter season. What a wonderful time of year. The temperature is dropping, which means we can drink as much hot chocolate and hot apple cider as we want. Yum! The holiday season is in full swing and so are our wintertime activities.

Our December activities include:

Holiday colors

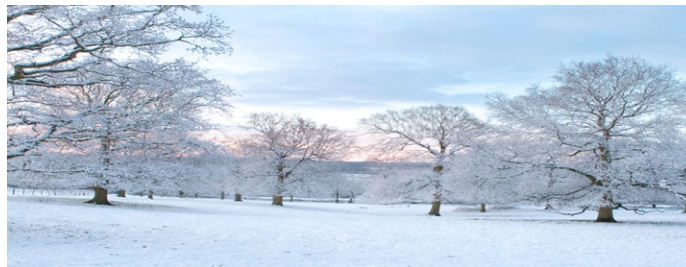
Gingerbread people

Happy Holidays

Reminder: The weather is colder now. Please make sure you change out the clothes in your child's bag to make sure they are more appropriate for the upcoming and winter season.

We are looking forward to another great month here at the UTCCC.

Thank you,
Mrs. Kathy



Preschool 1 at Brown

Dear Preschool One Families,

We hope you all had a great Thanksgiving holiday! November was quite a whirl-wind, and it's hard to believe the year is almost over. In November, we had fun learning about nocturnal animals, opposites, Thanksgiving and being thankful. We also enjoyed reading stories about Indigenous people and culture.

In December, we will learn about animals in winter, different holidays we can celebrate around this time of year, like Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanza, and New Year's. It's always a fun time of year, and we can't wait to celebrate with the kids! If you have any special traditions you do at home, let us know so we can talk about them in class!

Reminders:

Please bring weather appropriate clothes, in case of accidents or spills, now that cold temperatures are here. Also, please bring your children in warm clothes with jackets. We go outside at 10:30, and it can be quite chilly!

The center will be closed December 24th – 31st for winter break.

We look forward to a great month, and if you have any questions please let us know!

-Ms. Beth and Ms. Ashley



Preschool 2 at Brown

Prekindergarten (up & down) at Brown

Dear Pre-K Parents,

It is hard to believe that it is already the end of the year! December is a busy month! We will be learning about different cultures and celebrations this month. If you would like to come in and discuss some of your own cultural traditions this month, please let us know! We are always happy to have guest speakers! We will also spend a week on The Gingerbread Man story. This is always so much fun, because we get to make gingerbread cookies and gingerbread houses. There will be a sign-up list posted outside the classroom door, if you would like to help by bringing in supplies for this.

Here are a few reminders for this month:

The UTC Children's Center will be CLOSED Friday, December 24th through Friday, December 31st. We will reopen on January 3, 2022.

We know December is a very busy month. If your child is going to be absent, please try to let us know by 8:00 each morning.

The weather is constantly changing. We are required to spend 1 hour per day outside, unless it is below 32°. Please try to bring a jacket with your child or keep one at school.

Thank you,

Ms. Shawn and Ms. Jennifer

