

Maryland Week of the Working Parent

Maryland Committee for Children

- * Sticker Campaign
 - Children color stickers for their parents and themselves to show the economic impact of working parents in Maryland.
 - Contact MCC for stickers and more information
- * Business Breakfast—Tuesday, May 10 at the Bay Atlantic Club in Downtown Baltimore
 - The Economic Impact of Early Childhood Education, with Dr. Robert Lynch, Chair of the Economics Department at Washington College.
- * Providers' Conference—Thursday, May 12, 2005

Details to follow! For more information go to www.mdchildcare.org

Plan a Parent's Night!

Family providers and center staff are always looking for fun and educational ways to include parents in their programs. Consider offering a parents' night for your clients! Invite parents and families to your home or classroom and let them participate with their children in an art or music activity.

The Child Care Resource Center offers "Parent Pointer" classes and can have a trainer visit your event to conduct a short class on a topic such as toilet training, weekend ideas, temper tantrums, bedtime blues, separation anxiety, or planning great play dates. Trainer fees are reasonable and are at a flat rate, so you can invite as many parents or potential clients as you would like. You may wish to serve snacks, and wrap up your evening or weekend afternoon with a song or a story.

Parents will appreciate getting a glimpse of how you interact with their children, and will enjoy getting to know other parents in the program!