

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 5-8

EHHS Senior Field Trip to DC
(Many KOCO PM staff out)

October 6

Board Meeting

6:00-7:00 pm, room 101

October 9 & 12

Columbus Day

Public Schools closed

KOCO open

October 15

Chatham Health Flu Clinic

4:00-6:00 pm

room 101

Oct 27

Trunk or Treat

5:30-7:30 PM

Center School field

Oct 30

Halloween at KOCO

(See guidelines at right)



Dear Families,

Halloween is a time when young children will likely be staying up well past their bedtimes, encountering frightening images and sounds, walking for long periods in the cold and dark, and eating loads of sugary treats. At KOCO, we believe that we can serve our students best by keeping our observance of the Halloween holiday as simple as possible, while still having lots of fun!

For Halloween, KOCO's guiding policy will be low-key simplicity. We will be following these guidelines:

On Friday, October 30, students will rotate through neighboring classrooms, where candy-free Halloween activities will be prepared by the teachers in advance (pumpkin matching, Jack-o-lantern play-doh, spooky dancing, etc.). After the activities, we will have a center-wide Halloween Costume Parade that we will post on facebook!

Parents of children who choose to wear costumes are advised to send a change of clothes for outdoor play. Teachers will dress up, too!

We hope you have a safe and spooky Halloween!





A message from the KOCO Health Consultant

Dear Parents and Families,

As flu season will soon be upon us, we would like to remind everyone to plan ahead and have your child receive their annual flu vaccination before the end of the year.

Flu Vaccination Reminder:

Children under the age of 5 are required to receive a flu shot by **December 31, 2026**, in order to remain enrolled at KOCO. Older children are not required to receive the flu vaccine. We are holding a **flu clinic hosted by Chatham Health District at KOCO on October 15th from 4 – 6 PM, room 101** for your convenience. Please stay tuned for more details regarding the date and registration information.

Important: Please Respond to Emails Promptly:

When you receive an email from me requesting information -- updated forms, medical documentation or expiring medications, please respond as soon as possible. It is important that parents address any requests or outstanding concerns promptly. Keeping your child's medical records, medications, and required forms current is important to ensure that your child's enrollment remains in good standing.

Sick Policy Reminder:

Lastly, please take a moment to review the daycare's sick policy. If your child is sick, please keep them home until they have been **symptom-free for at least 24 hours**, or provide a doctor's note when appropriate.

By working together and following these guidelines, we can help reduce the spread of germs and create a healthier and safer environment for all of our children and families. Thank you so much for your cooperation, understanding, and continued partnership. We truly appreciate your help in keeping our daycare community healthy and safe!

Devangi Ladani, APRN