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At A Glance


The following parenting courses are open to everyone, but registration is essential.

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Friday, April 12, 2019

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LOCATION	DATES/TIMES	COURSE NAME
<p>Families Matter Parent Link Centre Third Floor, 7930 Bowness Road NW</p> 	<p>April 09 – June 20, 2019 (Tuesday/Thursday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p>	<p><u>Families Learning Together</u></p> <p>Families Learning Together is a fun and playful program that helps children to get ready for entering kindergarten and helps their parents learn how to support their child's learning and growth as they start school. Children attending this program should be 3.5 - 4 years old who will be beginning kindergarten the following year.</p>
<p>Families Matter Parent Link Centre Third Floor, 7930 Bowness Road NW</p> 	<p>April 17, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Infant Massage</u></p> <p>This class will teach parents of infants (6 weeks - 6 months old) how to use a nurturing touch to connect with baby and support growth and development in this unique way. The parents can use the techniques at home to provide a full body massage to their little ones.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>April 18 – April 25, 2019 (Thursday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Infant Massage</u></p> <p>This class will teach parents of infants (6 weeks - 6 months old) how to use a nurturing touch to connect with baby and support growth and development in this unique way. The parents can use the techniques at home to provide a full body massage to their little ones.</p>

<p>Families Matter Rosemont Community Centre – Lower Level 2807 10th St. N.W.</p>	<p>April 18 – May 16, 2019 (Thursday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. • Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Terrific Toddlers</u></p> <p>Explores the normal developmental changes and challenges in children 18 months-4 years. Topics such as normal developmental changes and challenges, understanding parenting styles and their effect on behaviour, learning through play, positive discipline, avoiding power struggles, effective communication and self-esteem. Bring your questions! Certificate upon completion.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>April 18, 2019 (Thursday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. • Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p>	<p><u>Mom and the Law</u></p> <p>Are you a mother who is in the process of separating or divorcing? Do you have questions that you would like to ask a lawyer? This session, just for moms.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>April 23 – May 21, 2019 (Tuesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. • Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Noodle-Do</u></p> <p>This is the program for parents with preschoolers aged 3-5 where you can play games that build trust, boost imagination and teach some tools to support brain development. It is all based on the latest neuroscience so it's not only a lot of fun, it will help build your child's brain. Parents and children will have fun trying out new activities and materials, parents will leave with some great ideas of new activities to try at home.</p>
<p>Families Matter Parent Link Centre Third Floor, 7930 Bowness Road NW</p> 	<p>April 24, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. • Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Infant Massage</u></p> <p>This class will teach parents of infants (6 weeks - 6 months old) how to use a nurturing touch to connect with baby and support growth and development in this unique way. The parents can use the techniques at home to provide a full body massage to their little ones.</p>
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<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>May 01 – May 29, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. • Cost: \$40 • .00, subsidy available <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Calm Mind, Calm Mama</u></p> <p>Come in; take some time to get yourself settled. Enjoy an hour of simple, relaxing yoga postures and breathing techniques to deepen relaxation as well as alleviate stress. After, take some time for a cup of tea and a chance to chat. Childcare available upon registration.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>May 01 – June 19, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. • Cost: \$75.00, subsidy available <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Positive Discipline in Everyday Parenting</u></p> <p>Based on the work of Joan Durrant, this eight week session addresses the roots of positive discipline, beginning with the relationship between parent and child and moving on to ages and stages of development. Learning is based on the two pillars of a strong relationship, structure and warmth.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>May 01 – June 12, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. • Cost: \$75.00, subsidy available <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p>	<p><u>Be a Great Dad</u></p> <p>A program for Dads only, led by a male facilitator. The program focuses on building your confidence by offering you a chance to learn and try out effective strategies for communication, positive discipline, and role-modeling as well as fostering self-esteem. The program will help you put the limited time you do have to good use; creating positive experiences for you and your child. What better way to learn than from other dads who share their experiences of struggle and joy along the journey</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>May 10, 2019 (Friday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. • Cost: \$99.00 <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p>	<p><u>The Gingerbread Way – Level 1</u> Professional Development</p> <p>Professionals will be introduced to oral rhymes, songs, finger plays, finger puppets, books and oral storytelling, contextualized within the domains of Early Development Instrument (EDI). You will explore ways to adapt the practice of these materials to support specific ages, multicultural groups, skill sets and curricula. Your immersion into the kaleidoscopic world of storytelling will allow you to build confidence in purposefully choosing them for and actively reading them with your audiences.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>May 14 – June 11, 2019 (Tuesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. • Cost: \$75.00, subsidy available <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p>	<p><u>How to Talk so LITTLE KIDS Will Listen and Listen so Kids Will Talk</u></p> <p>How do you respond to the toddler who won't brush his teeth? The preschooler who pinches the baby? The child who throws everything she can reach? It's hard to be a little kid. It's hard to be an adult responsible for that little kid. And it's really hard to think about effective communication when the toast is burning, the baby is crying and you're exhausted. Help is on the way. Join Laurie Florence for this five week program to navigate and thrive in these important years.</p>

<p>Families Matter Parent Link Centre Third Floor, 7930 Bowness Road NW</p> 	<p>May 15 – July 03, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. • Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Circle of Security</u></p> <p>The Circle of Security is a relationship based early intervention program designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children. Decades of university-based research have confirmed that secure children exhibit increased empathy, greater self-esteem, better relationships with parents and peers, enhanced school readiness, and an increased capacity to handle emotions more effectively when compared with children who are not secure.</p>
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<p>Family Connections Parent Link Huntington Hills 520 78 Ave NW</p>	<p>June 03, 2019 (Friday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. • Cost: FREE <p>To register please go online to http://community.hmhc.ca/sessions/</p>	<p><u>Avoiding Power Struggles</u></p> <p>The more early prevention, the less intervention. In this workshop we discuss modern issues and concerns regarding positive discipline; examine the difference between punishment and discipline and learn positive approaches to encouraging positive behaviour.</p>
<p>Families Matter Trans Canada Centre # 158 - 1440 52nd St. NE</p>	<p>June 05 – June 26, 2019 (Wednesday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. • Cost: \$40.00, subsidy available <p>To register please go online to www.familiesmatter.ca</p> <p>Limited childcare available (must register).</p>	<p><u>Calm Mind, Calm Mama</u></p> <p>Come in; take some time to get yourself settled. Enjoy an hour of simple, relaxing yoga postures and breathing techniques to deepen relaxation as well as alleviate stress. After, take some time for a cup of tea and a chance to chat. Childcare available upon registration.</p>
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