A new school year is coming soon!

This week we are preparing to say goodbye to some of the children who will be leaving for kindergarten this month. We appreciate the opportunity to partner with their families in the early childhood education of their children and wish them all the very best future in their new schools.

The UTSA Child Development Center provides the first steps in early learning outside of the child’s home that help children begin a lifelong journey in education and learning.

Each year children from many parts of the United States and from other countries enroll in our program. We gain new friends and the children learn from each other.

As this school year comes to an end on Wednesday, August 20, 2014, we are also saying goodbye to some children and families who will return home to other cities and countries taking with them the love of learning and the new friendships they have developed this year.

We are preparing for the new school year that begins on Monday, August 25, 2014.

For parents who will not be returning this fall, current child care contracts end on August 20, 2014. New contracts for the 2014-2015 school year for new and returning parents have been prepared and are ready to be picked up at the front desk.

Special points of interest:

- **2013-2014 CONTRACTS** END ON **AUGUST 20ST**.
- **THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER IS CLOSED ON AUGUST 21—22 FOR STAFF/TEACHER TRAINING**.
- **2014-2015 CONTRACTS START ON AUGUST 25TH**.
- **2014-2015 RATES ARE PUBLISHED FOR REVIEW IN THIS NEWSLETTER**.


- Faculty/Staff: 6 weeks to 35 months $983 monthly/36 months—5 years $840 monthly
- Students: 6 weeks to 35 months $580 monthly/36 months—5 years $535 monthly

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Teaching Staff Updates & Vacation News

- **August Vacations/Leave:**
  - Vicky Mirales 8/11-8/20
  - Sheryl Wedige 8/11—8/20
  - Maria Martinez Rausch 8/11-8/15
  - Imrana Zahid 8/11—8/29
  - Helena Trevino 8/14-8/20
- **Hiring Process - New Teaching Staff**
  - Interviews are scheduled this week for a new Assistant Early Childhood Specialist. The new assistant will take the position that became available when Gabriela Sanchez moved to a PreK4SA position.
- **Teaching Staff Changes**
  - We are posting an "internal-only" opening for a lead teaching staff position that has become available as the result of classroom rearrangements to increase toddler enrollment. CDC teaching staff who meet the lead teacher requirements are eligible to apply for the promotion. This staffing change will take place on August 25th.
that the ECECs are in charge in the morning before the director arrives, and any time when the director attends meetings or takes lunch break or vacation/sick leave. The ECECs can be reached by phone at 458-6364.

Shared Leadership & Norma Castillo’s Promotion

♥ The Child Development Center has a new shared leadership management model which helps our program provide better oversight if and when the director is away from the center. Sheryl Wedige and Victoria Mirales are our Early Childhood Education Coordinators who are designated as acting assistant director on alternating months. They serve as assistant director in the absence of the director. The alternating schedule rotation this year begins in August with Sheryl Wedige designated acting assistant director. Parents will notice

♥ Norma Castillo has received a promotion to a new supervisory role. Her new title is Administrative Services Officer I. We believe in providing excellence in service and programming. Norma’s new position will help us as we continue to serve you and your children.