



Manitoba Child Care
Association

Child Care Bridges

Guidelines for Writers

We invite submissions from professionals in the field and to help you prepare your submission we have outlined some guidelines. We ask that you follow these as closely as possible to save time and ensure accuracy.

Child Care Bridges is the quarterly publication of the Manitoba Child Care Association. It serves as a regular update of our work towards quality care and of issues and developments affecting children, families, child care programs, and early childhood educators in centres and family child care homes.

Each issue of the journal focuses on a particular theme and of course we have sections that are found in every issue of *Bridges*.

Title/Bio

- Please include a title for your article and a one line bio at the end of the article, for example; Karen Gander is MCCA's Professional Development Manager

Word count

- Articles can either be a one page or a two page article. The maximum amount of words for one page is 650 and 1300 words for two pages

Photos

- If you have photos that go with your article then please send them with your article. Please send them as a JPEG in the highest resolution possible. Once layout begins we will inform you if there is space for your photo.
- Please ensure that you have permission to use the photo

- We do not include names of individuals in the photo only the centre name or the name of the family child care provider

Submitting your article

- Please submit your article via the internet to karengander@mccahouse.org as an MS Word attachment
- Please note that all articles are subject to copy editing and editorial revisions but authors remain responsible for the accuracy of statements and quotations in their work

Style

- Spacing: type only one space after a period
- Quotation marks. Use double quotation marks for “direct quotes” and single ones (‘like this’) for a quote within a quote
- Use bullets rather than dashes for lists
- Do not centre or align the text, left justification only
- Single space between paragraphs
- Do not use indents at the beginning of paragraphs
- Use Times New Roman, 12
- Please use Canadian spelling
- Please use the terminology early childhood educator or caregiver and not child care worker or day care worker

We look forward to reading your article and if you have further questions or can recommend potential writers please contact Karen Gander at mccahouse.org or 586-8587 ext. 24.

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