# Member's Guide

## **About The Manitoba Child Care Association (MCCA)**

MCCA is the professional association for the early learning and child care workforce in Manitoba. With over 4400 members and growing, MCCA is proud to be the largest provincial child care organization in Canada. Established in 1974, MCCA is a registered charity, and operates as a not for profit organization. We are entirely membership funded and grateful to the have the support of the child care workforce in Manitoba.

Our **Vision** is to promote and support an exceptional and inclusive ELCC system by fueling our members to be proud and excited to belong to a progressive, respected profession. Our **Mission** is to advocate for a quality system of child care, to advance early learning and child care education as a profession, and provide services to our members.









# **Benefits of an MCCA Membership**

### COMMUNITY

Share your passion for early learning and child care, with a membership of 4400 and growing, special interest groups and volunteer committees.

## **PARTNERSHIP**

Joint membership with the Canadian Child Care Federation, member discounts with various businesses as well as reduced rates for MCCA sponsored insurance programs, group benefit plans, SMPPP and RRSP.

#### **OPPORTUNITY AND INVOLVEMENT**

Become active through volunteerism or attending professional development our our special events. Enjoy reduced rates for conferences, institutes, workshops, and special events.

#### **STAY INFORMED**

MCCA is your connection to the latest news, research and best practices in early learning and child care.

# What does MCCA provide for you?

### **ADVOCACY**

MCCA is proud to be the voice of early learning and child care in Manitoba. We are informed and knowledgeable, make recommendations to government and raise issues, needs, concerns and solutions.

#### **RESOURCES**

MCCA provides resources and information through our quarterly publication Child Care Bridges, and through the CCCF online publication Interaction. We have a resource library you can visit in person or we will mail your resources to you for FREE. You can view what is in our library in real time.

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Manitoba Best Practices Licensing Manual for Early Learning and Child Care Centres recommends 24 hours of professional development per year for ECEs and CCAs. MCCA offers workshops (in-person and virtually), institutes, and conferences that members can attend at a reduced rate. Members located outside of Winnipeg can attend workshops in their region, which are organized by the regional branches. Our annual provinicial conference is held in May. Travel subsidy is available for this event for those members located outside of Winnipeg. The conference brochure will provide all the conference details.

### **JOB BOARD**

We offer a job board for centre members seeking employees or those seeking employment

### **EVENTS & RECOGNITION**

Recognition awards for members achieving excellence in their workplace, opportunities to meet new people and have fun at Week of ECE events.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Members keen to be active, involved, and enhance their own skills can become an MCCA volunteer on various committees, special interest groups, or stand for election to our Board of Directors.









### Where is MCCA located?

MCCA's head office is located on the 2nd floor of the Royal Bank Building at the corner of McPhillips & Court Street in Winnipeg.

Parking is available less than a block away at the pay lot located west of the strip mall at 1021 Court St., just before the Walmart parking lot. Parking is \$8.00 for the day. There is limited street parking.

## How do I become a member?

Complete an <u>Individual Membership Application</u>. You can print one from our website www.mcchouse.org. Your child care centre may have a supply of application forms. Choose your payment option and submit the application with your fees (if you are not on payroll remittance). Annual fees can be pro-rated for the number of months remaining in the membership year.

# I can't get to your resource library during the day. Will you mail my books?

Yes, a list of library resources is on our website. Click on professional development, and then lending library. We will mail the books of your choice to you. You can return the books using the postage paid return mail labels we provide to you.





# I live outside of Winnipeg, what does MCCA offer for me?

MCCA provides financial assistance to our regional branches located throughout Manitoba. A regional branch is formed by local MCCA members who volunteer their time to carry out MCCA's mandate in their region.

Go to the regional branch page on our website for more information about workshops and conferences hosted in the regions.

Refer to the MCCA Regional Members Guide for more details.

# When is Child Care Bridges magazine mailed?

Bridges is published quarterly with a Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter edition. Individual members receive a paper copy and student members receive an electronic copy. Centre members also have a paper copy mailed to their centre.

Bridges is mailed out in: March, June, September, December

If you would like to receive an electronic copy only, please contact Karen at kkowalski@mccahouse.org





# **Professional Development Schedule**

Most workshops are held in the fall and the winter. Information about workshops is included in the September and December issue of Child Care Bridges. Workshops and other upcoming events can be found on our website at www.mccahouse.org and online registration begins end of August for fall workshops and early December for winter workshops.

# My contact information has changed, what should I do?

Complete a <u>Change of Member Information Form</u>. You can fax the completed form to 204-589-5613, scan and email to Dianne at djones@mccahouse.org or you can mail it to us. The centre director can also make changes in YM (Your Membership).



# **MCCA Membership Investment**

Individuals (payable annually, or monthly by payroll remittance of EFT):

Full time Professional (ECE): \$17.35/month Part time Professional (ECE): \$10.34/month

Full time CCA: \$9.34/month Part time CCA: \$6.34/month

Associate: \$116.00 annual or \$9.67/month

Student: \$10.00 (MCCA only) annual or \$35.00 (MCCA and CCCF) annual

### **Child Care Facilities:**

Family Child Care Provider: \$150.00 annual Family Child Care Provider: \$12.50/month Full time Child Care Centre: \$210.00 Part Time Child Care Centres: \$122.50



All membership categories (excluding the \$10.00 student membership) include a joint affiliate membership with the Canadian Child Care Federation.

Membership year is from January to December with the exception of student memberships (September 1 - August 31). Receipts are only issued if requested. Individuals working in a facility will receive them by email to the facility. All others are emailed to the emails on file. Receipts for memberships, if requested, will be emailed out by February 28 the following year.

Individual Membership dues that are paid by the member are eligible for a tax receipt.

## **MCCA Office Hours**

MCCA is open Monday to Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. The library is also open in the evenings and Saturdays when workshops are scheduled, check our website and workshop brochure for dates and times. Our phone number is 204-586-8587. Toll free in Manitoba is 1-888-323-4676. We can be reached by email at info@mccahouse.org

# **Let's Stay Connected**



