

# SOUTH HADLEY FAMILY CENTER REGISTRATION FORM



**All caregivers (i.e., parents, guardians, grandparents, childcare providers, etc.) must register annually for grant-funding purposes.** This information is entered into our database and will be kept confidential. Please be sure to print clearly!

Caregiver: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of child(ren) attending:

Date(s) of birth (month/date/year):

1. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

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## HEALTH POLICY

The South Hadley Family Center is committed to providing a clean and healthy atmosphere for young children and their families. You should not attend if: anyone has had any fever, vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours, anyone has an uncontrolled or continuous cough, or a large amount of nasal drainage. If there is any doubt about whether a person is contagious, please consult a physician. Please see our website for specific condition guidelines (e.g., strep throat, chicken pox, etc.).

We have several infants, toddlers and preschool children who have severe allergies to nuts. These allergies can be fast acting and lethal. Due to the severity of these allergies, we have adopted the policy to be nut-free. Please do not bring snacks to the Center that may contain nuts or nut oils. Please see our bulletin board for a list of suggestions for various types of snacks that are nut-free.

## BEHAVIOR POLICY

Each caregiver is responsible for the well-being and appropriate behavior of their child(ren). In the event of continuous unsafe behavior (biting, hitting, etc.), the Family Center reserves the right for the Coordinator to request that the family in question leave the Center for the day. The Family Center Coordinator and Advisory Board are not responsible for injuries or accidents that may occur while children are at the Center.

## NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The South Hadley Family Center will be inclusive to all the caregivers of young children that reside in the service area. The Center will not discriminate on the basis of color, race, national origin, religion, sex, disability, sexual orientation, political beliefs or marital, family, or economic status.

## PAYMENT POLICY

Visitors contribute \$2-\$5 per visit **OR** become members for \$60 for half the year (September through January or February through May) or \$100 for the entire year (September through the end of May). Your first visit is free! Alternatively, you may contribute volunteer hours and/or donate items listed on the Center's wish list. Please see the Coordinator for more details about these other options. **No one will be turned away because of inability to pay.**

## VOLUNTEERISM

The South Hadley Family Center is a parent-directed non-profit organization which depends upon the efforts of parent-volunteers to be successful. Beyond the general day-to-day upkeep of the Center, caregivers can support the Center and its mission by lending their talents, skills and energy. Please review the following events that rely on volunteer support and select the one(s) that most appeal to you. All levels of commitment are welcome!

\_\_\_\_\_ **Fall Foliage Walk** (typically held on a Saturday or Sunday in October) This event includes a self-guided walk & treasure hunt around Mount Holyoke's Upper Lake. Appropriate for all ages.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Halloween Party** (Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Theresa's Church) A festive party for families with little ones (5 & under, older siblings are welcome, too) to do crafts & play games, hear live music, eat pizza and walk in a costume parade. Halloween treats are available for sale.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Winter Clothing/Food Drive** (typically in November and/or December)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Family Fun Night & Ziti Supper** (typically a Friday evening in March) This event is held at the Mosier School and includes a delicious meal, concert, crafts & games, raffles and silent auctions. Appropriate for all ages.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Week of the Young Child Concert** (April during the week of the young child) An artist whose music celebrates the young child is selected to perform (typically at a local church).

\_\_\_\_\_ **Family-to-Family Sale** (typically the first Saturday in May) Caregivers "rent" tables to sell their gently used infant & children's toys, accessories, books and clothing (maternity, too). Coffee & baked goods are available for sale.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Buttery Brook Park Summer Concert Series** (typically 3 Wednesdays in July, 10-11 am) Children's entertainers perform at the park. Baked goods are available for sale.

As you may have noticed, many Family Center events involve selling baked goods to help meet our fundraising goals. Would you be willing to bake or provide baked goods (e.g., cookies, cupcakes, muffins, etc.) for one or more of these events? If so, someone will contact you with more information.

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES**, I am interested in providing baked goods for one or more of these events.

In addition to the volunteer opportunities above, do you have a specific interest or skill you might be willing to share (e.g., computers, quilting, music, crafts, carpentry, etc.)? If so, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to learn more about or become a member of the Parent Advisory Council? This group of volunteers oversees the general operation of the Family Center and typically meets once a month.

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES**, I am interested in learning more about/being a member of the Parent Advisory Council.

**By signing below, I am indicating that I understand and agree to abide by the above noted policies of the South Hadley Family Center.**

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Caregiver signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date