Dear Families:

As part of our program’s effort to provide quality care and education for young children, we are incorporating farm to early care and education into our menus and activities.

Georgia Farm to Early Care and Education increases access to fresh, local foods and encourages hands-on learning. FTECE activities such as gardening and cooking are a natural fit for young children. Children are developing taste preferences and eating habits that will impact their health for a lifetime. FTECE also expands healthy food access and family engagement, and supports local farmers and healthy communities.

Because of these FTECE activities, you may notice that your child is more willing to try new foods. Asking them more about their activities might be a fun way to connect these lessons at home.

As an added benefit of the Georgia Farm to Early Care and Education initiative, you will receive 2 text messages per month from Georgia Parent Power (GPP) with related tips on nutrition and FTECE activities. Please take a few minutes, to provide us with your cell phone information at the bottom of the page. These messages will keep you informed and on top of the latest research regarding the education and well-being of children.

We are eager to share this wonderful opportunity with you and your family and look forward to being a part of strengthening children’s knowledge and attitudes toward food and health.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or observations you would like to share.

Sincerely,

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