# **Red Deer Family Resource Network**



#### Alberta Provincial Family Resource Networks

# October 2024

# **Parent Enrichment Programs**

#### **Special Needs Family Support Group**

For parents and caregivers of children with additional needs, disabilities, medical needs, etc. Join us at the FRN Play Space while your children play. A group for connecting, developing support and resources, sharing, and caring. All are welcome, coffee will be on.

DROP IN– NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED Mondays October 7 & 21. 1:00-4:00 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **ASQ's and Triple P Tip Sheets**

Want to check in on your child's development and growth, or have questions about various childhood struggles? We offer Ages & Stages Developmental Checklists (ASQs) that can be completed every two months for ages 0-60 months. We also offer Triple P Tip Sheets on a variety of childhood challenges commonly faced by little ones from newborn through Primary School. Just ask our staff for details or look for one of the pop-ups happening each month.

Monday October 28. 9:30-11:30 Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

#### **Parent Resource Library**

A NEW virtual program for families. We have a lot of resources for different family needs that we would love to show you. Log on with Tammy to ask your questions about resources for activities to do with your kids, Tips for managing behaviors, Tips for developmental needs, Ways to connect and build developmental skills with your child, etc.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED** 

Contact Tammy to Register.

Monday October 21. 10:00-12:00 VIRTUAL

# **Stepping Stones Triple P– One on One**

For families of children ages 2-12 with special needs. This program is offered 1:1 over the course of 6-8 weeks (depending on family's need) to provide strategies that help with behavioral concerns. New spots available.

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE WITH PRE-REGISTRATION Tuesdays OR Fridays 9:00-12:00, 1:00-4:00. McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

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# Parent Self Care

Self-Care is one of the first things to go by the wayside as caregivers, yet one of the most important things we need to be our best selves. This group provides an opportunity for us to discuss various topics of self-care, de-stressing, positivity etc. and part of our time turning our topic into a practical activity for hands-on skill building and strategies for you and your family.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED by October 3. Contact Tammy Monday October 7. 9:30-11:30 VIRTUAL

# How Money Works & Investing 101

**How Money Works:** We will have a financial representative coming in to talk about how to overcome the most common financial challenges that people face. Join us for an educational evening and have your money questions answered. **Monday October 21. 7:00-8:30** 

**Investing 101:** Are you worried about retirement? Do you just have questions about retirement? Join us for a program with a financial representative that focuses

specifically on investing for retirement.

Monday October 28. 7:00-8:30 REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# Parent Pop Up

Hey caregivers! We have another fun activity for the adults to do while the kids play. Limited spots.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Monday October 28. 1:00-3:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Circle of Security**

The Circle of Security<sup>®</sup> is an innovative intervention program designed to improve the developmental pathway of children and their parents. As they grow older, secure children become less likely to live in poverty, have legal problems, or experience chronic emotional difficulties. This is an 8-week program and registration is required. Limited Childcare spots available.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Tuesdays. 1:30-3:30. STARTS October 8– November 19. McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Car Seat Safety**

Join us virtually for an information session about car seat safety. REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Wednesday October 16. 6:30-8:00 VIRTUAL VIRTUAL

# Fear Less Triple P

A 6-week group program, for families of youth ages 6-14 with anxiety. Each week we will focus on new strategies to help families manage through Anxiety. Please contact Tammy for more details and to see if this program is a fit for your family.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register STARTS Wednesday October 23. 1:00-3:00** 

VIRTUAL

#### 2SLGBTQIA++ Caregiver Connect

A carer group to support families of children/youth/teens in the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. We will meet monthly on the last Wednesday evening of each month.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Wednesday October 30. 6:30-8:00

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#### Building Connections (for Dads and Littles)

Drop-in play for dads and their kiddos. We will have lots of building opportunities and activities for families to engage in at our FRN Space.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Saturday October 5. 9:00-11:30 and 1:00-3:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# ECD Programs (0-6 Years)

# **Drop In Stay and Play**

Drop in anytime between 9:00 am and 12:00pm for some indoor play and some tabletop activities.

DROP IN- NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED Mondays 9:00-12:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 14 Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

# Art in the Park

Join us for an art project at McKenzie Trails and some fun at the park. This program is for ages 3-6. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Monday October 7. 1:30-3:30 McKenzie Trails** 

#### **Discover Time**

This is an early childhood program with parents who have children ages 0-6yrs old. Every week we explore different themes with crafts, games, coloring, and play.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Tuesdays 9:30-12:00 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

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#### **Group Teen Triple P**

For families of teens ages 13+ with behavioral concerns. Connect with Facilitator and other families to discuss strategies to support your family's needs. This is a 4-week workshop with connections to support an additional 4 weeks, as needed.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register STARTS Thursday October 24. 1:00-3:00 VIRTUAL

#### **Meal Prep Group**

Fall is here and time to get organized! A monthly meal planning and prep group for families. Bring your kids to play while we prep. Each month we will talk about different strategies to make life easier, meal planning and prep, come up with weekly and monthly meal plans as a group, recipe share, and maybe try out a recipe to sample. Limited spots, registration deadline is October 24<sup>th</sup>.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register** Thursday October 31. 9:30-11:30

Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

For General Program Inquiries or Information on our In-home Family Support Program: Lindsey.Diebolt@mcmancentral.ca

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# Baby & Me

Ages 0-18mths. Learn, play and grow with baby while connecting with other caregivers.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Mondays 1:00-3:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 14 Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

# Play & Learn

Come join us at the YMCA for some indoor play, crafts, and circle time on Tuesday mornings.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 YMCA (Northside Community Centre) 6391-76 Street

#### **Little Adventurers**

Join us for some nature exploration! The first hour we will be on the trails and the last hour we will have some fun at the playground.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Wednesdays October 9 & 30. 9:30-11:30 Heritage Ranch

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# Babes n' Tots

Join us for a morning to meet new friends and have some indoor fun.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Wednesdays October 2 & 9. 9:30-11:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Baby Buddies**

This program is for our littles (under 18 months). Join us for some socialization for yourself and your little. Meet new friends and enjoy quality time together!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Thursdays 9:30-11:30. **\*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 31** Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

# Drop In Preschool Pals

Drop in anytime between 1:00pm-4:00pm for indoor play and tabletop activities.

DROP IN– NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED Thursdays 1:00-4:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 31 Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

# HALLOWEEN BASH!

Join us for an afternoon Halloween party. Come in your costume if you wish! Registration is required.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Thursday October 31 1:00-4:00 Bower Community Hall: 85 Boyce Street

# Little Friends

Come join us to explore our FRN play space and connect with new friends and families.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Fridays. 9:30-11:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Happy Wanderers**

Join us for a walk around different parks with our littles. We will end our walk with some park play. Oct 4– Bower Ponds, Oct 11– Heritage Ranch, Oct 18– Bower Ponds, Oct 25– Heritage Ranch. We leave for our walk at 1:05pm.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Fridays. 1:00-2:30

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# **Homeschool Connections**

Does your family homeschool? Would you like your children to meet and play with some new friends? Would you like to meet other homeschooling parents? Join Miss Timi and Miss Shellsey and make some connections!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Wednesdays 1:00-3:00 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Sensory Time**

Sensory play is a great way for children to use all five senses at once! Parent and their children will have fun playing in a new sensory bin that explores different textures, colours and themes that spark the imagination. This program is for children 2 and up. Oct 10, 24, 31.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Thursdays 9:30-11:30 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 3 & 7 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Sensory Path**

An outdoor walk, for sensory development for your little one. The group is for families with children ages 0-6yrs of age. We will meet at Bower Ponds, and go for a nature walk, and while walking we will be looking for specific items in nature to explore with our senses. A great sensory filled time for all. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Thursdays 1:00-3:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 3 & 17 Bower Ponds** 

# Strollercize

Join us for a walk with your littles in strollers. This is a great chance to socialize with other parents while enjoying some of the great trails that Red Deer has to offer. We will leave for our walks at 9:05.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Fridays. 9:00-10:30 \*\* NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 11 Bower Ponds

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#### **Gross Motor Fun**

Meet at the Bower Ponds playground for some outdoor fun with friends!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Fridays. 10:30-12:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 11

#### **Playground Pals**

Come join us for some outdoor play. We will be meeting up at a different park around Red Deer each week. Oct 4 - Bower Ponds, Oct 11 – Heritage Ranch, Oct 18 – Bower Ponds, Oct 25 – Heritage Ranch.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Natasha to Register Fridays 2:30-4:00

#### **Fight the Fear**

This is a youth program for children ages 10-13yrs old. It is a three-session group that will help the child to recognize what anxiety feels like for them, what are their triggers, and what they can do to get through an attack and feel better about themselves. We try to have a very calm space and let everyone join in and share with us how they are feeling, and they feel when in an attack.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Mondays. 4:00-6:00 **\*\* NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 14** McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Online Book Club**

This is an online Book Club for children ages 7-13yrs old. We read 2-3 chapters in a sitting, and then participate in one or two activities after. Home address' are required to deliver any activity envelopes to homes. The group is through Microsoft Teams. Lets share the love of reading and imagination.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Wednesdays. 4:00-5:30 VIRTUAL

# Arty Art Art

Art is awesome. Trying new kinds of art is interesting. Arty Art Art is a youth group for artists 9-13yrs of age to explore new and interesting creations of art. We will try new styles, new techniques, and have some fun doing it.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Wednesdays. 6:00-8:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 2 & 16 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Halloween Art**

This is a Saturday program for youth ages 9-13yrs of age. We will then create some spooky and funny Halloween art. All the art will be taken home at the end of the group.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Saturday October 26. 9:30-11:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

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# Little Builders

Come create something awesome. We will be building with blocks of all sorts! This program is for ages 2-6. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Timi to Register Fridays October 4 & 18. 1:30-3:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave** 

# **Youth Programs**

# **After School Frenzy**

This program is at the YMCA on Tuesday afternoons, from 3:00-5:00pm for youth ages 7-13yrs in the Arts and Culture room. It offers a friendly group setting to meet new friends, be creative with art and games, and to play and participate in new activities.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Tuesdays. 3:00-5:00

YMCA (Northside Community Centre) 6391-76 Street

#### **Homeschool Connections**

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#### **Empowered Youth**

This is a youth program for children ages 7-13yrs old. It is a group that will share ways to feel more comfortable with who they are, what they do and like, and how to stand tall and strong in their own bodies. We also explore people and things that can lift us up or who have been empowering. There are weekly journals, readings, creating and discussion. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Thursdays. 4:00-6:00. \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 17 & 31 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave** 

#### Youth Board & Card Game Night

This is a night for youth ages 7-13yrs of age. We will be playing board games, and card games with each other. Games such as LIFE, Monopoly, Skip Bo, and Bananagrams. If there is a board game, they would like to play they can also bring that to group for us all to play.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Fridays 4:00-6:00. \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 11 & 18 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

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# **Teen Programs**

#### **Creative Circle for Teens**

Each month is an opportunity to get creative with a different artistic and craft style, and to explore your creative side. No skills necessary, supplies provided, we have fun as we go. Registration is required, contact Tammy for details.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Wednesday October 2 4:00-5:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

#### **Teen Board Games**

Wizard's Loft Game Café is a fun space that provides access to over 500 types of board games that can be played 1:1 or with multiple friends. Each month they host our Tabletop gang to gather and play board games, so whether you are new to the group, or a board game 'geek' Join us for fun, make friends, bring friends.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Wednesday October 16. 4:30-7:00 Wizards Loft

#### Halloween Party!

It's All Hallow's Eve and that means fun activities, games, treats, and just one more opportunity to dress up and have a blast for our teens. Dress up and costumes encouraged! **REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Wednesday October 30. 4:00-6:00** 

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# **Drivers Safety**

Do you have a youth between the ages of 13-17 that is taking their learners? Or who needs help with road rules and driving tips? We have a 3-week course that can help. We teach, quiz, show videos and play games to help us learn all the driving information to help with the BIG TEST. We do ask that the youth attend all sessions to gain the knowledge, to pass the test.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Shellsey to Register Thursdays 6:00-8:00 \*\*NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 17 & 31 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Cooking Skills for Teens**

Every individual can benefit from basic cooking skills. This group helps our teens to develop these skills in a fun and interactive group that meets monthly, and best of all we get to eat what we make! Please register in advance, deadline to register is October 3<sup>rd.</sup>

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Wednesday October 9 4:00-6:00 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

#### **Swifties Night!**

For all those teen fans of Taylor Swift, it's time for an evening of fun activities, games, and music to embrace our inner swifties and positivity. Must register in advance as space is limited. Deadline to register is October 17<sup>th</sup>.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Wednesday October 23 4:30-6:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103, 5214-47 Ave

# **Emotional Regulation for Teens**

Stress, Worry, Sadness, Anger. All four of these are healthy emotions but they can still get in our way at times. Join us for a program to help teens talk, problem solve, reframe, and cope with these big emotions, and develop strategies to manage them. Ages 14-18.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Contact Tammy to Register Thursdays October 10 & 24. 4:00-5:30 McMan FRN Office: Unit 103. 5214-47 Ave

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