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Updates regarding the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care System

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you may be aware, in March 2022 Ontario reached an agreement with the Federal government for the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care system (CWELCC). To raise awareness about this initiative, we are writing to share information on this program and specifically about Jackman Community Daycare's participation.

What is CWELCC? It is a 5-year plan that aims to improve affordability, enhance quality, increase child care access and support inclusion for licensed child care centres in Canada for children under 6 years old.

The Goal? Spanning from 2022 to 2026, participating licensed child care centres will see a phased reduction of the fees paid for eligible children. By 2026, Ontario is working towards an average fee of \$10 per day, per eligible child.

In 2022, eligible families will see an average 25% reduction in their fees retroactive to April 1, 2022 to be further reduced to 50% by the end of 2022.

What does this mean for Jackman Community Daycare families? Our families are at the heart of the Jackman Community Daycare and we recognize the benefits that participation in this program will bring. At this time, we have satisfied current requirements to participate in CWELCC for 2022 and have "opted-in" to the program. Our application is under review. Participation in 2022 does not determine 2023 participation and Jackman Community Daycare cannot yet evaluate its participation in 2023.

Once a Centre's application is approved and they have received program funds, licensed child care centres will have 20 days to issue retroactive 2022 payments or credits to eligible families. *Please note that this only applies if your child was under the age of 6 or turned 6 between January 1 and June 30, 2022.*

Please visit the [Parent Resources](#) page on the Jackman Community Daycare website for communications and relevant documents regarding CWELCC.



We will continue to keep you aware of these developments as they progress. As Jackman Community Daycare is presently recruiting for an Executive Director, please contact Miranda Wu, Supervisor at supervisor@jackmandaycare.ca with any inquiries regarding your family's eligibility.

Sincerely,
Jackman Community Daycare Board of Directors