

**TEN TIPS FOR
INVOLVING CHILD CARE FAMILIES IN YOUR
CHILD CARE BUSINESS**

- 1. Set time aside for training staff on new technology. A parent could volunteer to train your staff.**
- 2. Provide opportunities for families to improve their technology skills. Offer a brief computer class during an Open House.**
- 3. Make your communication available to all parents. Some families may not have computers. Use traditional forms of communication; newsletters, phone calls or even hand-written notes.**
- 4. Send out group emails to remind families of upcoming events such as field trips or parent-teacher conferences.**
- 5. Create a question box for your center. Review the questions weekly from parents and answer them in a newsletter. Share listings of upcoming family events in the community.**
- 6. Create a web page for parents to leave comments or provide feedback to teachers.**
- 7. Prepare a short list of activities that parents can assist their children with. For example, send home a book to read together.**
- 8. Suggest parents bring in pictures of the family to post in the classroom.**
- 9. Teachers can send emails to parents when a child acquires a new skill.**
- 10. Create a classroom website.**