



# Birth to 3 News

September 2025

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## Welcome Back!

We are looking forward to a great school year with you! It is our pleasure to partner with you as your child's first, best and most important teacher.

My name is Katey Baldassano and I am the Administrator for the Birth to 3 Program. You may receive your Parent Square messages from me in addition to our newsletter. If you have a child starting preschool this year, you may also see me over at the preschool supporting the transition process. We have a great team of caring, professional home visitors and it is an honor to work with them every day.

## Parent-Child Groups

We are proud to offer a variety of different groups to our families. Our groups are designed to support literacy skills, support parent child interaction and connect you to other local families.

We have several other groups to offer you:

**-Fathers' group:** A monthly ongoing group for fathers and children. Enjoy dinner and playtime and learn about why fathers matter to help your child learn and grow.

**-Infant Massage:** Learn ways to help calm your baby and improve their sleep, feeding and early learning. This is a 5-week group starting soon.



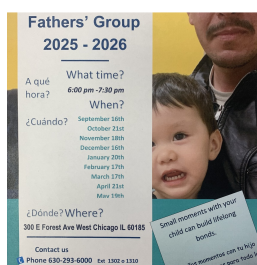
**-Mothers and Babies:** A very important stress management for all mothers. Build your toolkit to manage your stress and support your baby to grow and thrive. This is a 6-week group starting soon.

**-Special Needs:** A monthly group to support parents with special needs of any age. Learn about local resources, get support and connect to other parents on their journey of parenting.

**-Parent Child Group:** Monthly groups to meet other families centered around fun themes like yoga, nutrition and outdoor play.

**-Library Group:** A weekly group held at the West Chicago Library. Everyone who attends goes home with a copy of the book of the week!

Check out our Program Calendar for coming events and never miss an opportunity to meet other families in your community: <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=wegobirthto3%40wego33.org&ctz=America%2FChicago>



## Parent Child Interaction

### Something to try: Affection

Did you know that showing affection and love to your child helps to build their brains and get them ready for school? Research has shown that the you do the items below, the better your child does on school readiness tasks. The best thing? These things are free and easy to learn to do!

- Smile at your child
- Praise your child
- Stay close to your child
- Use their name when interacting at them
- Say positive things to them

Try these things out and share your observations with your home visitor. We would love to hear what you notice!





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## Resource of the Month!

West Chicago District 33 is hosting a Vaccine clinic on 9/22. at Leman Middle School. This is open to staff, students, families and community members. Spread the word!

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*Together for Excellence ★ ¡Juntos por la Excelencia!*

**FLU SHOT & COVID  
VACCINE CLINIC**  
**Monday 9/22 3:00-5:30PM**

**LOCATION: Leman Middle School**  
 238 E. Hazel Street, West Chicago, IL 60185  
 \*Enter through Main Entrance off of Joliet St.\*

BRING INSURANCE CARD & ID	NO INSURANCE? Flu Shot: \$45 Covid Vaccine: over \$200	OPEN TO STAFF, STUDENTS, FAMILIES & COMMUNITY MEMBERS
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\*Insurance may not cover the cost of these vaccines. D33 is not responsible for any out of pocket cost that may be incurred.





## CLÍNICA DE VACUNAS CONTRA LA GRIPE Y COVID

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**UBICACION: Lemay Middle School**

**238 E. Hazel Street, West Chicago, IL 60185**

**\*Ingrese por la entrada principal de Joliet St.\***

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**¿NO TIENES  
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**vacuna contra la  
gripe: \$45  
Covid: over \$200**

**ABIERTO AL  
PERSONAL,  
ESTUDIANTES,  
FAMILIAS Y  
MIEMBROS DE  
LA COMUNIDAD**

**\*Es posible que el seguro no cubra el costo de estas vacunas.  
D33 no se hace responsable de ningún gasto de su bolsillo en  
el que pueda incurrir.**



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## Things to remember:



### Book Challenge

How many books look at or read with your child? Book Tracking is back! This is your chance to earn prizes throughout the year and build a love of reading in your children. Families can track on paper or our link:

<https://forms.gle/vAWhrUvu1T9Lsbbe6>



### Food Resource

Upcoming food resource open to ANYONE in West Chicago.

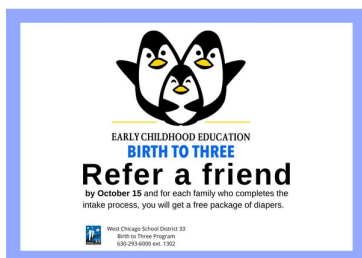


### Special Needs Group

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## Now Enrolling!

The Birth to 3 Program is currently enrolling new families! If you know anyone who is expecting a baby or who has young children, share what you love about the Program. Refer a family and you will receive a thank you gift! (Family must go through registration process)



### West Chicago School District 33 Birth to 3

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### West Chicago District 33 Mission

Equip students to become life-long learners who embrace diversity, welcome innovation, and aspire to be catalysts for positive change and growth.



**Katey Baldassano**

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