

September:
Board Report

Child Care is at full capacity at this moment or we are in within the ratio guidelines of the state. We have 8 infants and 2 teachers, 4 waddlers with one teacher and seven toddlers with one teacher. The waddler and toddler are combing their class for the time being. This gives them the extra eyes when diapering, feeding and activities.

We just had interviews for the other two positions. I am in the process of working on the reference checks. I am having a little difficulty reaching out to those out of state and out of country. Hopefully I can get them done by days end. When hired we will be able to double the students in the toddler room and waddler room. We have 3 infants on the waiting list and maybe two in the toddler room. Two from the infant room will move to the waddler room and one from the waddler to the toddler room.

The flu season has hit the teachers and a few of the students. This did not hinder their chance at having fun teaching and learning during Native American week. If you notice the Tee Pee's in the window. A couple of the students along with Miss Angel went and picked up tree branches from the school campus. They used them for the lodge poles. Well with the branches came a caterpillar. It made its way across to the big Caterpillar in the big room. One of the girls was going to play in there and start trying to get my attention by saying "there is a snake in there"! The boys had been using the big caterpillar as their hay truck, so I tell the little girl "Yep – sometimes the round bails will bring in snakes or mice". Well, this one has a snake the girl repeats. I look in there and find a little caterpillar. We put it outside so that it can become a beautiful butterfly. It just goes to show you that the lesson of the day is right in front of you.

The two teachers and students walked to the nursing home and danced for them. They got to have cookies and juice with the elders.

