



*Jasper Community Team members work together to create the conditions in Jasper where residents of all backgrounds and abilities can thrive and achieve optimal wellbeing across the life-span. Members take part in life-stage focused Community Conversations where participants identify social trends, problem solve together, provide mutual support, and seize opportunities to work together.*

**Early Childhood Community Conversation Notes  
Wednesday, June 06, 2021**

## **Local Government**

**Municipal Council** – \* Click this heading to read the full Council Highlights

- At their most recent meeting Council elevated the opportunity to discuss developing a Community Childcare Strategy plan for the community as a whole. This is a good first step to addressing trends regarding childcare in the community and this discussion point was unanimously passed by council.

**Lisa Daniel - Out of School Care**

- A trend noticed is that some families are not looking for full time facility-based care. There is a heightened need for infant and toddler childcare.

## **Education**

**Ecole Desrochers:**

- Ecole Desrochers will be running a full-time pre-school/daycare program starting in September. So far there have been 9 registrations for the full day program and 2 registrations for mornings only. This is another great option for families. For more details regarding registration, cost and availability contact Marie-Claude Faucher at 780-852-1119 or [mcfoucher@centrenord.ab.ca](mailto:mcfoucher@centrenord.ab.ca)

## **Non-Profit and Private Sector**

**Jasper Employment and Education Centre**

- A four-month English Language Learning and Early Childhood Development Level 1 program for newcomers is in the works
- There is ongoing discussion to potentially open a non-profit daycare in partnership with the Anglican church. The intention is that the program would be based from a workers cooperative perspective.

**Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives**

- The museum is pleased to announce they are opening June 7<sup>th</sup> and summer camps age 6-12 will be going ahead. Registration is this week until all spaces are filled. Day camps and day passes are available too.

**Jasper Mettra Pharmacy**

- Jasper Mettra Pharmacy will be opening soon! They have identified a trend that Jasper parents do not have access to donor breast milk. They are looking to create access to a breast milk donor program after surveying new moms in the community and assessing the need for a certified milk bank. For more information you can contact Tasha Porttin at [tasha@jaspermettrapharmacy.ca](mailto:tasha@jaspermettrapharmacy.ca)