

From the Executive Director



**BRIGHT HORIZONS AT
Jeannette Cathy Children Center**

Greetings!

Spring has fully sprung at the JCCC, and we want to make like the May flowers and...GROW!

Here at the Jeannette Cathy Children's Center, we strive to foster an environment where families and team members feel comfortable sharing thoughts. Not only do we value your input, but this feedback is also essential to our continued growth.

With that in mind, we recently sent out a parent survey to allow parents to have their voices heard. Thank you to all who participated! We have a team of individuals who will take the time to read all of the survey results and, in turn, share that information with our senior leadership. While we can't promise that all of the desired changes will be implemented, we take your suggestions seriously. Senior leadership will develop a blueprint to incorporate as much feedback as is feasible. I look forward to sharing our results in the next few months. Thank you again for helping us be the best that we can be!

In other news, Teacher Appreciation Week is BACK the week of May 9-13!

The leadership team and parents have been working diligently to ensure that our excellent teachers are celebrated JCCC style, but we need your help! Our teachers, support staff, and leadership work hard year-round to make your family's experience the best. Please take a moment to share any stories, comments, and well wishes for those who touch your family's life each day.

Feel free to reach out to your parent reps for information on what else our parents will be doing for teacher appreciation. Our teachers are in for a well-deserved treat!

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Important Dates

- **May 2** Parent Raffle winners announced
- **May 6** Mother's Day treats
- **May 9** Awards of Excellence launch (see 2nd page or details)
- **May 9** First day in your new classroom if you are transitioning
- **May 9** Parent Meet & Greet for those who are transitioning. Please review your transition letter and save the dates; reminders will go out in the next Monday Memo
- **June 3** Kprep celebration
- **June 6** Four new classrooms open

Reasons to Celebrate

Happy Mother's Day to all our wonderful mothers!

Happy Teacher Appreciation to the talented teachers & leadership team members at the JCCC!

Health & Safety at Bright Horizons

Our enhanced COVID-19 protocols ensure that health and safety practices in every center align with the CDC and state and local municipalities. Visit the link below to learn more about what we are doing to keep children, families, and staff safe.

brighthouse.com/health-safety



We are excited to share two important opportunities for you to recognize our amazing center teams.

May is Employee Appreciation Month.

Connect with your Center Director to learn how you can help celebrate and recognize our awesome educators.

One additional way you can recognize our employees is through our annual **Awards of Excellence program**; this signature initiative, launching May 9, honors those employees who have contributed in a significant way to help Bright Horizons fulfill our mission and live our HEART Principles.

Parent nominations are an important part of our recognition program. Watch for more details from your director.

What Working Parents Need to Succeed

What's on working parents' minds? We asked, you told us. Tune in as we reveal our annual research from this year's Bright Horizons Modern Family Index.

[Register for this webinar today!](#)

May 24, 2022 | 3:00 pm EST

Celebrating Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

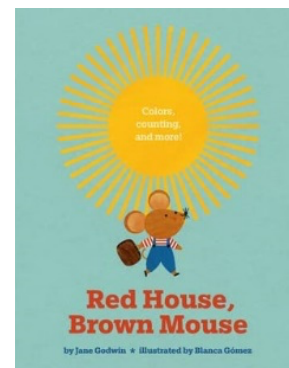
Children who understand cultures beyond their own become adults open to friends and colleagues of the world. It's why cultural celebrations are such an important part of the Bright Horizons early learning experience.

In May, our centers celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, recognizing the mosaic of talents and achievements this diverse group has brought to our past, and the heritage that will continue to play an important part in our future.

Visit brighthouse.com/aapi to learn more!

Growing Readers – May Issue

With the help of a little brown mouse, this month's Growing Readers Book of Excellence "*Red House, Brown Mouse*" by Jane Godwin explores colors, numbers, rhymes, and much more.



Also in the issue – a riveting video episode of the Growing Readers Book Club! Become Teacher Nate's co-researchers as you and your child are introduced to high-quality children's books along with ideas to explore, create, and investigate further!

Click [here](#) to read the current issue and watch the video.

