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Northalta appreciates our Educators and their exceptional dedication to childcare during this unprecedented time. We want to acknowledge those Educators who have provided over 5 years of service and all educator accomplishments over the past year.



The years of service and accomplishments are usually acknowledged during the Northalta Educator Celebration. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the Northalta Educator Celebration for 2020 was cancelled. We look forward to hosting the event next year!

Early Childcare Educators Continuing their Education

*Completed Post-Secondary
Early Learning Child Care Studies*

Swati Dhokale

Completed Child Development Assistant Training

Biba Stojic

Completed Alberta Health Services Food Handling

<i>Sahina Akter</i>	<i>Raman Bhullar</i>	<i>Navdeep Gill</i>	<i>Ritu Gupta</i>
<i>Marion Imrie</i>	<i>Souad Mouattamid</i>	<i>Pragna Patel</i>	<i>Irin Pervin</i>
<i>Alicja Pozorek</i>	<i>Anu Rana</i>	<i>Rosamaria Rocha</i>	<i>Saba Tariq</i>

Thank you to the following Educators for their commitment and dedication to childcare.

Years of Service

5 years - Gagandeep Chauhan, Jennifer Lee,

Saima Maryam, Shahida Nasreen, Saba Tariq

6 years - Parminder Cheema

7 years - Beth Bernardino

8 years - Davorka Boskovic

9 years - Su Seo

9 years - Marialuisa Sirica

10 years - Belen Guijarno

11 years - Rasha Salha

13 years - Tracy Rowan

15 years - Heather Sandouga

16 years - Elzbieta Jusza

20 years - Rosamaria Rocha

21 years - Marion Imrie

21 years - Alicja Pozorek

25 years - Suzana Kostadinovic

28 years - Shirley Moore





Educator's Birthdays

Sahina A. Lovely B.
Maria S. Remya T.

October 2020



Educator's Anniversaries

*Pragna P. 1 yr. *Sharqa F. – 3 yrs.
*Parminder C. – 6 yrs. *Rasha S. - 11 yrs.
*Marion I. - 21 yrs.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Parent Fees Due	2	3
4 World Animal Day Fire Prevention Week	5 Parents: Late fee applies to unpaid childcare fees Read in Week	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Thanksgiving Day Northalta Office closed Approved Educator Holiday	13	14 Educator payment email sent	15	16	17
18	19 Educator payment email due	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween

Dates to Remember

October 4th - World Animal Day – Creates awareness on various issues like cruelty towards animals, animal rights violations, and so on.

October 4th - 10th - Fire Prevention Week - Edmonton Fire Rescue Services reminds Edmontonians that "a safe kitchen is a prepared kitchen." For more information on fire prevention tips and events visit

https://www.edmonton.ca/attractions_events/schedule_festivals_events/fire-prevention-week.aspx

* Northalta has Fire Safety kits available to Educators upon request

October 5th -9th – Read in Week - Edmonton *Read In Week* involves various partners from schools to post-secondary institutions, the City of Edmonton and various media outlets. The focus of this initiative has been to instill the love of reading in all Edmontonians. For more information visit <http://readin.ca/#>

October 12th - Thanksgiving Day – Traditionally, people give thanks for a good harvest and other fortunes in the past year.

October 31st - Halloween - It is a day to mark the single night in the year when, according to old Celtic beliefs, spirits and the dead can cross over into the world of the living. Some people hold parties and children may dress up in costumes and trick-or-treat in their neighbourhood.





Alberta's Early Learning and Care Framework

"Flight is grounded in a vision of strong, active and energetic early childhood communities—places of vitality—where the rights of children as citizens are recognized and where the diversity of Alberta families is reflected and can be expressed. (2014) Alberta's Early Learning and Care Framework, play participation possibilities

Northalta and our Educators recognize **Flight** as an important guide in our work with children and families. We share **Flight's** vision and values of the relationship between families, childcare educators, and programs. Our role as childcare educators in a child's early years is important in a child's learning dispositions and their image of themselves as a citizen and learner both in and out of the day home.



Flight History

The Alberta framework was inspired by a visit to MacEwen University in 2012 from a research team member of the *New Brunswick Curriculum Framework for Early Learning and Child Care*. The Child Development Branch at the Ministry of Human Services was very interested in creating a framework for Alberta and asked the MacEwen ELCC and Mount Royal Child and Youth department to work together on "developing and piloting a curriculum framework for early childhood educators working in centre based child care and family day homes in Alberta."

In November 2014, *Play, Participation, and Possibilities: An Early Learning and Child Care Curriculum Framework for Alberta* was released.

Four years later, the framework, renamed to *Flight*, was relaunched with a new look, structure, and format. The majority of the content of the framework is the same.

The Alberta framework recognizes, appreciates, and values:

- ❖ The practice of relationships among educators, children and families that make visible the uniqueness of each family day home in Alberta.
- ❖ The co-constructed nature of early learning curriculum: recognizing the unique nature of learning in early childhood, educators make curriculum decisions "in the moment," extending play and learning through thoughtful reflection and dialogue with children, families, and other educators.
- ❖ The search for a shared professional language—a language that may cause pause, calling upon us to reflect deeply in order to make the values, principles, and goals that frame practice in early learning and child care clear to ourselves and visible to others.



Northalta is excited that two Northalta Educators were chosen to participate in the course, *Exploring Early Childhood Curriculum: Play, Participation and Possibilities* currently offered at MacEwan University.

We also have a Northalta consultant and educator participating in an overview series, *Possibilities for Practice* being offered through ARCQE (Alberta Resource Center for Quality Enhancement).

As each dayhome is unique, we encourage educators to explore **Flight** based on their individual day home needs. We look forward to considering how **Flight** concepts will be incorporated into the day homes.

Five Core Concepts

- ❖ The Image of the Child: A Mighty Learner and Citizen
- ❖ A Practice of Relationships: Your Role as an Early Learning and Child Care Educator
- ❖ Mighty Learners: Nurturing Children's Dispositions to Learn
- ❖ Responsive Environments: Time, Space, Materials and Participation
- ❖ Transitions and Continuities: Supporting Children and Families through change

For more information on **Flight** please visit <https://flightframework.ca/>