## Lane Child and Family Center Ages and Stages

Dear Parents,

Lane Child and Family Center is participating in Oregon's Quality Improvements Rating System for Childcare Centers. As part of the ongoing quality improvement plan Lane Child and Family Center has implemented a developmental screening tool called the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ). The ASQ is included for parents to complete as part of the childcare enrollment.

The ASQ makes the most of parents' expert knowledge by using valuable input from the family and involvement of parents as partners in their child's assessment and intervention. Because of the rapid changes in the development of children in the early years, the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends young children have a developmental screening on a regular and periodic basis.

Ongoing monitoring of children's development helps watch for and catch developmental and social-emotional delays that may not be detected in a single screening. To better support children and families, parents are asked to complete the age-specific ASQ each year.

The ASQ is:

- User friendly and fast (takes 10-15 minutes)
- Available online at <u>www.asqoregon.com</u>

Please notify us that you have completed the screening at <u>childcareoncampus@lanecc.edu</u> as this allows us to track the progress of the implementation of the ASQ.

If you would like additional information regarding the Ages and Stages Questionnaire or would like to complete a paper version please stop by the office.

Sincerely,

Lane Child and Family Staff