

# EARLY LEARNING TODAY

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*Serving Early Care & Education Professionals, Communities & Families of Southeast Missouri*

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**Spotlight** on the **University Child Enrichment Center**, 1912 Broadway, in Cape Girardeau is the only Nationally Accredited program in Cape Girardeau. They received their accreditation in 2005 by providing high quality childcare to families and children in the area. Through hard work and dedication they have received this recognition and are maintaining their accreditation status.



**Accreditation is a sign of high quality.** To become accredited a program must meet standards of quality child care practices that exceed licensing requirements. Accreditation standards are based upon developmentally appropriate practice.

*From: Developmentally Appropriate Practice in Early Childhood Programs, revised edition; Sue Bredekamp and Carol Copple.*

For more information about accreditation or if you would like some assistance with the process please contact: Christy Colyer at Child Care Resource and Referral, (573) 290-5572 or 1-800-811-1127 ext. 4.

## Way To Go! Way To Go!

**Congratulations** Mitzy Rumohr, director and owner of Wee Care Learning Center of Advance. The Southeast Missouri State University Innovation Center recently recognized Mitzy for her entrepreneurial efforts. She is one of six businesses in Southeast Missouri that will receive the SPARK award (Service, People, Area, Results, Keys to success) The inaugural SPARK award is given to businesses for their growth and economic contributions in the regions.

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