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Department of Human Services Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education

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At Better Beginnings, October means one thing - **SCIENCE!** And when it comes to **SCIENCE**, the TRICKS **ARE** THE TREATS!

Halloween will soon be upon us. And to help make it a memorable one, we have conjured up some **SPOOKTACULAR** resources that are sure to enchant your little ones.

Remember though - the only thing scary about these experiments is how much **FUN** you'll have doing them! Keep reading for these resources and more.

Happy Halloween to all you 'boos and ghouls' out there!

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## PANDEMIC GUIDELINES

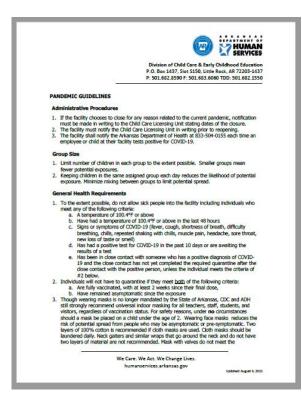


Just a quick reminder that you can always find the most updated **<u>Pandemic Guidelines</u>** from Arkansas DHS on our website.

Find the **<u>Trending tab</u>** and then click the **<u>COVID Advice and Resources for Families</u>** button.

### Or, <u>click here</u> to download the PDF or screenshot the document and save to your phone for quick access!

As COVID-19 circumstances change daily, Arkansas DHS and the Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education will **monitor and adjust these guidelines as needed.** 



**ARKANSAS DHS PANDEMIC GUIDELINES FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS** 



Better Beginnings is focused on making **quality child care more accessible to families of young children across Arkansas.** More high-quality access means more kids are better prepared for kindergarten.

The following programs are now 3-star Better Beginnings providers:

ALMA--KID SUCCESS INC. DPA PEDIATRICS PLUS DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER BENTON--CHILDCARE NETWORK 188 PINE BLUFF--WINSTONS TENDER CARE SPRINGDALE--EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER VAN BUREN--KID SUCCESS INC. DPA PEDIATRICS PLUS DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER

The following programs are now 2-star Better Beginnings providers:

ASH FLAT--HAPPY FEET LEARNING CARE BENTONVILLE--LITTLE MARTIANS LEARNING CENTER EL DORADO--HAPPY HEARTS LEARNING ACADEMY LITTLE ROCK--FIRST STEPS CDC 2 LITTLE ROCK--SMALL WONDERS ACADEMY MORRILTON--FIRST START LEARNING CENTER SPRINGDALE--LITTLE MARTIANS LEARNING CENTER

The following program is now a **1-star Better Beginnings provider**:

#### **SPRINGDALE--THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AT ROLLINS SOI**

If you are a Better Beginnings provider and are interested in moving up in star ranking, click <u>here</u>.

# SCIENCE RESOURCES



Help your client-families continue the learning at home by sharing these science **resources** from our **Family Resource Library.** 







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