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DNSSAB Recognizes Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day

North Bay, ON: The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) is proud to recognize Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day on October 21, 2026, and to celebrate the dedicated professionals who support children and families throughout the District of Nipissing every day.

From licensed child care centres and home child care programs to EarlyON Child and Family Centres and community-based supports, early years professionals play a vital role in helping children build confidence, develop relationships, and discover the world around them. Their work supports not only children's development, but also the well-being of families and the strength of Nipissing's communities.

Across the District, educators and child care professionals create environments where children feel safe, welcomed, valued, and supported. Through everyday interactions, they foster curiosity, encourage exploration, and help children develop the social, emotional, and foundational skills that prepare them for lifelong learning.

EarlyON Child and Family Centres complement the early years system by providing welcoming spaces where families can connect, learn, and access resources that support healthy child development. Through play-based programming, parent education, and community partnerships, EarlyON helps strengthen family well-being, reduce isolation, and build strong foundations for lifelong learning and success.

High-quality child care is an essential service that enables families to participate in the workforce, pursue education, and contribute to their communities. The professionals who work within the sector are at the heart of that system, providing care, guidance, and support during some of the most important years in a child's life.

As Service System Manager for early years and child care programs, DNSSAB works in partnership with operators, early learning teams, home child care providers, school boards, Indigenous and Francophone partners, and community agencies to strengthen

access to high-quality, inclusive early learning and child care services across the District.

On Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day, DNSSAB extends its sincere gratitude to all early learning and child care professionals whose dedication, expertise, and compassion help children and families succeed.

About Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day

Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day is celebrated annually across Ontario on the third Wednesday of October. The day recognizes the important contributions of the professionals who work throughout the early years and child care sector and acknowledges their commitment to supporting children's learning, development, and well-being.

About DNSSAB:

The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) is the service delivery agency for essential human services to the residents of the Nipissing District. These include the Coordinated Services of Ontario Works, Housing Services and Homelessness Services, Children's Services, and Paramedic Services. The jurisdiction of the DNSSAB covers a population of about 85,000 people, spread out over 17,000 square kilometres, 11 municipalities, two First Nations, and two unorganized areas – Nipissing North and Nipissing South. The Board is made up of 11 municipal councillors and one elected representative for the Territory Without Municipal Organization. The Board members exercise powers, duties and responsibilities relating to the delivery of human services, while respecting the DSSAB Act and the Board's Procedural By-Laws and governance model. Shared responsibilities with the Province and municipalities are combined within the DNSSAB.

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