Florida Family Child Care Home Association

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Dear Parent Member,

All year long your child care provider gives to your child and family from their heart. **Friday, May 12th** is a day to give back. **Provider Appreciation Day** is the national day of recognition for child care providers. This day was purposely selected to be celebrated annually on the Friday before Mother’s Day. It is a day to give a special “thank you” to providers for their dedication to this profession.

**Parents** with children in child care are encouraged to take this day to show their child care provider how much they appreciate her/him. It takes a very special and dedicated person to work in this field and their contribution to the quality of family life frequently goes unnoticed. Do not let this day go by without a special thank you to this person who is so important to your child. It does not have to be an elaborate gift, nor do you have to spend a lot of time or money. A nice thank you card or a letter of appreciation from you and your child would mean the world to them.

A few suggestions for a special ‘thank you’ are:

- Get together with other parents to create a surprise
- Send flowers or a plant for the yard
- Bring lunch for the provider and children
- Buy learning materials or equipment for the play area
- Work with your child to create a special remembrance
- Provide a gift certificate for their hobby or special interest
- Gift card for a local restaurant, movie theater, or nail salon
- Sponsor provider to attend the FFCCHA conference in June

Florida Family Child Care Home Association **Thanks You** for taking the time to select a quality family child care environment for your child.

Sincerely,

**Lois Kendrick**

Lois Kendrick - FFCCHA President

For more ideas visit: [www.providerappreciationday.org](http://www.providerappreciationday.org)