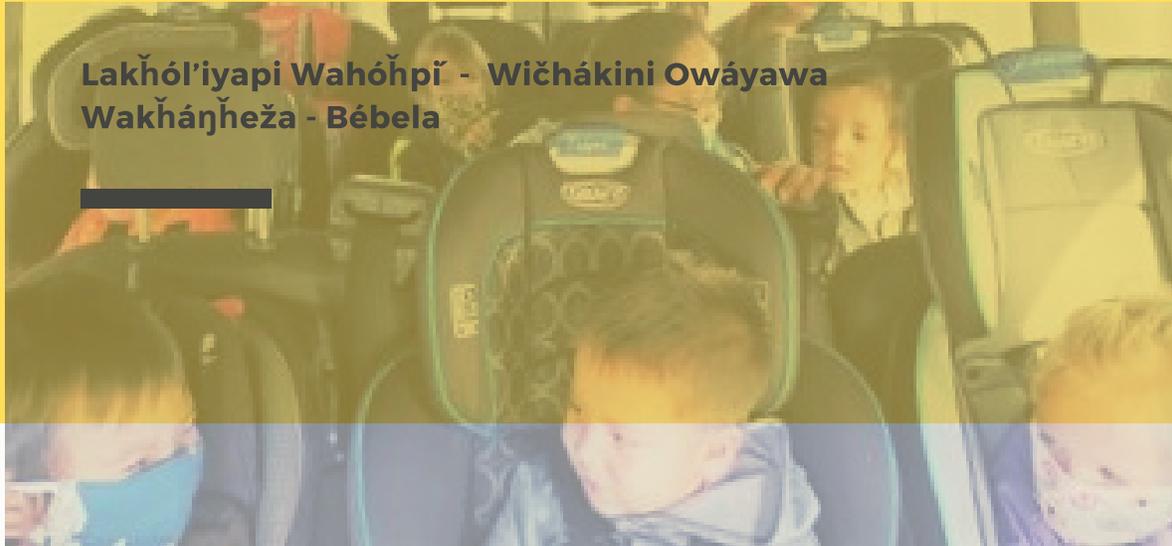


# The Nest News



## MITÁKUYE OYÁS'IN: WE ALL ARE RELATED

Thank you so much for your confidence in us to teach and care for your children during a challenging time.

If preparing to reopen during a pandemic wasn't enough, we also took on the monumental task of merging Kampus Kids Learning Center with our Wič'hákini Owáyawa school. That's big, as staff are at different levels of learning and speaking Lakota/Dakota. We also worked to merge our policies and practices, develop new processes and forms, prepare classrooms, and more. Working together, we have learned a great deal and will continue to grow as our model matures.

As of today, the Nest serves 17 children ages 6 months to 9 years old. All are children of SBC employees, or were Nest students when we closed in March.

We'd like to thank our staff for providing a safe and healthy educational environment. It's not a simple task. Each room has a daily check-list of items and areas that must be cleaned, sanitized, and/or disinfected once they're used. Our laundry and the number of records to keep have multiplied several times over. Each Friday, our Maintenance team sanitizes our building—floors and halls, bathrooms, shared spaces, etc. We wear masks all day, don nitrile gloves, and wash or disinfect our hands until our skin is dry - and we do it again and again because the right thing to do. **(More, next page)**

## TĤOKÁTAKIYA (IN THE FUTURE):

**Waníyetu Wí, Anpétu  
Yámni - 11**  
Veterans Day - No  
School

**Waníyetu Wí, Anpétu  
Tópa - 12**  
Parent-Teacher  
Conferences, Open

**Waníyetu Wí, Anpétu  
Tópa na Anpétu  
Zaptán -  
26 & 27**  
Thanksgiving Break -  
No School

**Tĥáhekapsuŋ Wí,  
Anpétu Tópa - 5**  
Winter Program -  
Online



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All that, in addition to teaching our children well.

We have a great team. Our staff pitches in wherever they're needed. Our families come prepared and keep in regular communication. SBC employees and members of our community have donated child-sized masks, clothes, diapers, and other items for our children. Administrators offer sage guidance as we cover new ground. We appreciate your acts of kindness, selflessness, generosity, knowledge, and patience.

At this unparalleled time, we are experiencing the essence of mitákuye oyás'įŋ, working and caring for one another as family. Somehow, tough times bring people together to just do what needs to be done. For all of this—and for all of you—we are deeply grateful.

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## LAKOTA WORDS

Practice with your child

**Akíčhita Tħaáŋpetu** - Veterans Day

**Mniwáŋča Akíčhita** - Navy

**Zuyá Wičháša** - Marines

**Kiŋyékhiyapi Akíčhita** - Air Force

**Akíčhita** - Army

**Akíčhita Iyéčhiŋka Ópħa** -

To volunteer for the military

**Wóohola** - Respect

(Lakota/Dakota Value)

**Wóohitike** - Bravery

(Lakota/Dakota Value)

**Wóksape** - Wisdom

(Lakota/Dakota Value)

**Wówalitake** - Fortitude

(Lakota/Dakota Value)

**Yuónihaŋ** - To honor somebody

**Philámayaye** - I thank you

**Philámayayapi** - I thank you all