# CONNECTION



Southern Hills

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#### A Letter from YOUR Director

We are incredibly lucky to be able to announce that Jenny Schmitz has joined us as the Kids 'R' Kids Learning Academy of Southern Hills Director! The moment we met Jenny it was apparent she was born to work with children. She is passionate about ensuring kids feel safe, loved and cherished in an environment where they can play, learn and thrive. As our conversations continued it was clear that her experience and desires directly matched up with the Kids 'R' Kids philosophy: Hug First, Then Teach

Jenny has already been instrumental in preparing for the opening of our center. Here's a quick note from Jenny to all future Kids 'R' Kids parents and kiddos:

Happiest of Days to you all!

I am so excited to be a part of the Kids 'R' Kids Learning Academy of Southern Hills Family, and I cannot wait to meet and get to know each one of you.

A little bit about myself I have worked with children in some capacity my entire life. I have done just about everything from nannying, to teaching dance & coaching cheerleading, teaching preschool, rocking our littlest friends, leading a Sunday School class, being a para educator, and currently I volunteer as the PTO President at my daughter's school. When asked what my favorite age is I say ALL OF THEM, because children are our FUTURE and to have a hand in molding that is truly AMAZING!

I am married to my husband Aaron, who is my biggest supporter in this adventure knowing all of your families become an extension of ours. We have two children Darek-11 who is in 6th grade, and Emlynn-8 who is now a 3rd grader. Our children are involved in activities at school and in the community that keep us on our toes with busy schedules throughout the year.

Kids 'R' Kids philosophy of Hug First, Then Teach says it all. Children need to feel safe and loved while their parents are away, and I cannot wait to start this journey with your family. I look forward to sharing more with you in the months to come.

Tenny Schmitz

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## **Construction Update**

We have brick. We have stone. We have fences and parking spaces! There has been a ton of progress on the building this past month with the inside completely drywalled and painted and the outer façade almost complete. If you drive through the parking lot, you'll also see some new concrete poured with additional parking spaces along the back side - and fence posts set around each of the playgrounds.

As with many industries during this pandemic, we have been hit with a few material delays - the greatest of which being our doors. Because of this we've had to push back our projected opening date to mid/late January, 2022. We were hoping to be able to open our doors before the end of the year – but we are still incredibly excited to be able to start 2022 with you and your family!





#### Boo at the Zoo!

If you're looking for a fun, kid-friendly Halloween activity, come see us at Boo at the Zoo! The Lincoln Children's Zoo puts on one of the largest trick-or-treating events each year and this year Kids 'R' Kids Learning Academy of Southern Hills is excited to be joining the 40+ decorated booths handing out candy.

**Event Dates**: October 26, 27, 28, 29 & 30<sup>th</sup>

**Event Time**: 5:30-8:00 pm

Visit https://www.lincolnzoo.org/events/boo-at-the-zoo.html

to purchase your tickets!



### **Pre-Registration Open Now!**

We cannot wait to welcome you into the Kids 'R' Kids family! Now enrolling all ages 6 weeks - 12 years old! Enroll now at https://kidsrkids.com/southern-hills/enroll-now/



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