

The Children's Education Center of the Islands

ENROLLMENT IS OPEN!

*Enroll now for 2023/2024
SPACE IS LIMITED*

Enrollment information is available on our website. Our 2-year old class is **full** and we have just a couple spots open in the 3 & 4-year old rooms.

To enroll for the 2023/2024 school year, please fill out the online registration form and email it to Executive Director, Michelle Keltner, at cecidirectore@gmail.com and send deposit check to 350 Casa Ybel Rd. Sanibel FL 33957.

**** If anyone is interested in the Sanctuary Scholarship, please email Michelle at cecidirectore@gmail.com ****



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Benchmark continues to make progress on the electrical, plumbing, and interior areas of Thompson Hall. The main building will be ready to be taken down over the next couple of weeks.

Please be on the lookout for volunteer opportunities once the building is cleared and we are able to start working on the playground and campus gardens!

CECI IN THE NEWS!

We had the exciting opportunity to give NBC-2 News reporter, Tori Kinley, a tour of CECI. She interviewed board members Andrea Murphy, Matt Gaudreau, and director Michelle Keltner. Our story aired Friday, May 19th. Please see the link below if you haven't gotten a chance to view it!

NBC2 - CECI Reopening



Upcoming Events!



UPCOMING EVENTS

***Welcome Summer Playdate!
Friday, June 9th @
Sanibel Community Park***

Please RSVP to Laura Gales by Wednesday, June 7th. See the attached flyer, at the end of this newsletter, for more details.

VOLUNTEER

We know many of you are eager to help however, we need to ensure the property is safe before welcoming volunteers. As we get closer to reopening the school, we will have many volunteer opportunities for parents and community members including painting days, planting days, nature trail cleanup, and playground cleanup.



Donations Received

THANK YOU!

This month we received donations from:

- Rist Family Foundation - \$5,000
- Sotheby's International Realty - \$1,500
- The Nature Classroom - \$1,100
- Guidecraft - classroom supplies including treasure tubes, marble run, blocks, and a sensory river
- Rainforest Academy - classroom furniture including 7 tables, 25+ chairs, napping cots, bookcases, and dramatic play supplies



Board Member Spotlight

VICE PRESIDENT: BRAD ANDRES



Brad, his wife Lucy, and son Sebastian "Bash" moved to Sanibel in May of 2022. Bash attended CECI for two months before Hurricane Ian. We look forward to CECI's reopening and the return to learning in nature, island friends, and nature walks.

Brad is a CPA who specializes in wealth management and financial planning. He likes baseball, fishing, music of all genres, and the beach life. In his spare time, Brad also enjoys building custom furniture.



WELCOME SUMMER

**Join Ms. Sherry and
Ms. Michelle at Sanibel
Community Park on
Friday June 9th
From 10am to 12pm**

**Light snacks and water provided.
Must RSVP to Laura at 239-851-4122
by Wednesday June 7th**