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Dear Parent(s):

RE: IMPORTANT CHANGE TO CHILD CARE FEE SUBSIDY

Effective **January 1st 2007**, the way in which financial eligibility for child care fee subsidy is determined in the Province of Ontario, including here in the Rainy River District, will change. Financial Eligibility, now based on a Needs Test, will move to *Income Testing*.

New and ongoing families, at time of renewal, will have to provide your most recent copy of **EITHER:**

- A *Federal Income Tax Notice of Assessment* from the most current completed taxation year

OR

- A *Child Care Tax Benefit (CCTB) Notice* from the most current completed taxation year

***All other eligibility requirements remain the same.**

If you have neglected to file for either assessment listed above in the past, we advise that you do so immediately, as we will not be able to approve fee subsidy without receiving a copy of one of these documents. If you have filed but are unable to locate your copy of the *Notice of Assessment*, you may request a copy by calling 1-800-959-8281.

The amount of fee subsidy you receive may or may not be affected by this change. Details of the new process and how it will impact your family will be discussed with you in detail the day of your appointment. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to call Kim Gardiman, Children's Services Manager at 274-3042 or Cheryl Bodnar, Data and Systems Coordinator at 274-4375.

The Rainy River DSSAB Children's Services Team is committed to ensuring that you are aware of the impact of the Income Testing on your child care fee subsidy and every effort will be made to support you through the transition period.

Kim Gardiman, Children's Services Manager
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