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Family Customs Survey

Dear Parents:

A vital aspect of our program is our commitment to anti-bias multicultural education. We carefully create an environment that reflects not only the cultures of the families we serve but the world around us. We believe this validates children's experiences, teaches the importance of valuing similarities and differences and builds the connection between home and school.

Throughout the year, we recognize a variety of celebrations and observances. Your responses to the questionnaire provide the staff with insights and perspectives which they can draw upon in the planning process.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the questionnaire. Please return this form with your enrollment materials.

Sincerely,

Joanne Hurt
Executive Director

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Child's Name: _____

Class: _____ Parent(s) name: _____

1. What special observances, holiday remembrances or celebrations do you recognize in your family. Please include dates, and rate their significance to your family on a scale of 1- 5 (unimportant - very significant).

<u>HOLIDAY/OBSERVANCE</u>	<u>DATE(S)</u>	<u>SIGNIFICANCE</u>
_____	___/___/___	1 2 3 4 5
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2. Please describe how your family recognizes the most significant observances.

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3. How might our classroom curriculum support or reflect your family's culture and/or customs?

4. What would you like your child to gain from holiday/observance activities while in our program?

5. We will recognize some of the cultural observances that reflect the families in our program, as well as the world around us. How do you feel about your child learning about and/or participating in activities that are not part of your family's tradition?

6. Would you like to participate in any of the multicultural activities in the classroom? If so, in what capacity?

COMMENTS:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey!