



Early Childhood **CARES**

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University of Oregon Sorority to Host Annual Dodgeball Philanthropy

Kappa Kappa Gamma of the University of Oregon is hosting an annual Dodgeball tournament designed to raise money for local organization Early Childhood Cares.

The event will take place on Saturday, February 14, 2015 at the McArthur Court located at 1801 University Street on campus. All proceeds will be donated to Early Childhood Cares, an organization that provides early intervention and early childhood special education services to infants, toddlers and preschool age children.

Kappa Kappa Gamma is an active sorority on campus that focuses on vigorous leadership roles and philanthropy within the local Eugene community. In order to give back to the community, KKG hosts the annual Dodgeball tournament with the desire and hope of enhancing the lives of children in need within the community.

Early Childhood CARES services include parent consultation, parent-toddler groups, specialized preschools, consultation to children in community preschools or childcare, and speech, physical or occupational therapy. EC CARES services are individualized for each child and may include specialized instructional techniques, as well as adaptive equipment and materials¹.

“The positive reaction we get from the kids and the staff at Early Childhood Cares when we present a check for \$5,000 is something we look forward to every year,” says Haley Wilson, Kappa Kappa Gamma’s Philanthropy Chairman.

Teams consist of six members from local fraternities, sororities, sports teams, clubs and active students. Teams play continuous games following a pre-made bracket until a winning team prevails. Signs ups are \$10 per person, and single dollar buy backs are made available during the games to allow players to re-enter once eliminated. All benefits are immediately donated to Early Childhood CARES.

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¹ <https://www.kappakappagamma.org/Kappa/about/>