

## Beartooth Childrens Center Celebrates Reopening under New Director

Meghan (Foote) Windmueller has accepted the position of Director of the Beartooth Childrens Center, Red Lodge, and is already jumped into action to provide the best possible childcare for our area families.

Meghan was raised on a ranch outside of Livingston and grew up raising and showing cutting horses. She recounts, "horses have always been my passion; they were what brought me to Red Lodge originally in taking a job at the Switchback Ranch, working for the cutting horse program, and eventually with a few of the fantastic vet practices in town."

Her journey in childcare began in Missoula while attending U of M and worked for YMCA, primarily with infants and toddlers, discovering her true love for teaching and early childhood. "This came full circle when I transitioned out of the vet world and found the Children's Center [that became] home for me!" Meghan started as a teaching assistant then moved to a lead teacher position. It was during this life evolution when she met her husband Matt, and they were married last October. She is excited to be named the director and looks forward to how this position will help her realize goals she has set for herself and the



The Beartooth Childrens Center has undergone recent renovations to make it bright and poppy.

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As a department of Beartooth Billings Clinic, Beartooth Childrens Center has undergone recent renovations from floor to ceiling, reimagining the "learn through play" space to be more accommodating and accessible to children ages 2 — 12, with an emphasis on assuring parents that highest safety and compliance standards are followed. Open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., there are immediate openings for enrollment, which is one of "Ms. Meghan's" immediate goals through providing daily childcare and preschool for pre-kindergarten kids.



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"I look forward to building long-standing relationships with our families, collaborating with fellow childcare professionals, and maintaining a professional, well-trained staff that will keep the kids and our community engaged," pledges Meghan.