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BEST BETS



And the winners are . . .



The response to our 4th Annual Calgary's Child Magazine's Parents' Choice Awards was phenomenal. We asked you to choose the Best in Calgary - those businesses that offered the best places to eat, shop and have fun as a family. Below are our reader's choices . . . congratulations to all the winners. Keep up the good work, Calgary families thank you.

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BEST MEDIA

- Best Overall Radio Station**
1st PlacePower 107
- Best Overall Television Station**
1st PlaceCalgary 7
- Best Daily Newspaper**
1st PlaceCalgary Herald
- Favorite Morning News Source**
1st PlaceThe Breakfast Show
- Favorite Evening News Source**
1st PlaceCalgary 7 News

BEST FOOD

- Best place to buy birthday cakes**
1st PlaceDairy Queen
- Best grocery store**
1st PlaceCoop
2nd PlaceSafeway
- Best ice cream/yogurt store**
1st PlaceDairy Queen
2nd PlaceMy Favorite Ice Cream
- Best natural foods store**
1st PlaceCommunity Natural
2nd Place (tie)Debajis
.....Amaranth
- Best fast food place**
1st PlaceMcDonald's
2nd PlaceWendy's

- Best pizza**
1st PlacePizza Hut
2nd PlaceBoston Pizza

- Best restaurant for families**
1st PlaceMoxies
2nd PlaceBoston Pizza

- Best children's menu**
1st PlaceMoxies
2nd PlaceBoston Pizza

- Best restaurant for parent's night out**
1st PlaceChiantis
2nd PlaceThe Keg

BEST TRAVEL

- Best airline for families**
1st PlaceCanadian Airlines
- Best hotel/motel chain**
1st PlaceSheraton
2nd PlaceBest Western
- Best travel agency**
1st PlaceAMA
2nd PlaceCoop

BEST HEALTH SERVICES

- Best pharmacy**
1st PlaceShoppers Drug Mart
2nd PlaceLondon Drugs

BEST ENTERTAINMENT

- Best place to have a children's party**
1st PlaceBonkers
2nd PlaceTon of Fun
- Best birthday party entertainment**
1st PlaceMad Science
2nd PlaceFairy Princess Parties
- Best local children's entertainer**
1st PlaceGail Gregory
2nd PlaceRick Hertert
- Best live theatre company**
1st PlaceStorybook Theatre
2nd PlaceLoose Moose Theatre
- Best movie theatre**
1st PlaceCrowfoot Cineplex
2nd PlaceWesthills Famous Players
- Best museum**
1st PlaceGlenbow Museum
2nd PlaceTyrrel Museum

BEST SUPPORT & EDUCATION

- Best playground**
1st PlaceP.A.C.T.
2nd PlaceGymboree
- Best community support group**
1st PlaceCRHA
2nd Place (tie)Infant Resource Centre
.....CCIS, The Family Program
- Best preschool**
1st PlaceCampus Preschool
2nd PlaceGreen Door Nursery
- Best private/charter school**
1st PlaceCalgary Waldorf
2nd PlaceABC Charter

BEST SHOPPING

- Best children's clothing store**
1st PlaceGap for Kids
2nd PlaceWalmart
3rd PlaceSears
- Best place for baby supplies**
1st PlaceWalmart
2nd PlaceSuperstore
3rd PlaceZellers

Best second hand clothing store

- 1st PlaceOnce Upon A Child
2nd PlaceLollipop
3rd PlaceValue Village

Best children's furniture store

- 1st PlaceIkea
2nd PlaceSears

Best children's book store

- 1st PlaceChapters
2nd PlaceIndigo Books

Best place for children's haircuts

- 1st PlaceBeaners
2nd PlaceFirst Choice

Best shopping mall for families

- 1st PlaceMarket Mall
2nd PlaceSouth Centre
3rd PlaceChinook

Best place to buy school supplies

- 1st PlaceStaples
2nd PlaceWalmart
3rd PlaceSuperstore

Best family photographer

- 1st PlaceSears
2nd placeWalmart

Best pet shop

- 1st PlacePetland
2nd PlacePet Smart
3rd PlacePet Cetera

Best shoe store

- 1st PlacePayless
2nd PlaceWalmart
3rd PlaceThe Shoe Company

Best sporting goods store

- 1st PlaceSport Chek
2nd PlaceSports Swap
3rd PlaceSport Mart

Best toy store

- 1st PlaceToys R Us
2nd PlaceCastle/Teach R Toys

Best video store

- 1st PlaceRogers
2nd PlaceBlockbuster

Best car dealership (tie)

- 1st PlaceAirdrie Chrysler
1st PlaceMarlborough Ford

BEST ACTIVITIES

- Best attraction**
1st PlaceCalgary Zoo
2nd PlaceCalaway Park

Best Calgary sports team

- 1st PlaceCalgary Stampeders
2nd PlaceCalgary Flames

Best festival

- 1st PlaceChildren's Festival
2nd PlaceWinter Festival

Best Halloween event

- 1st PlaceBoo at the Zoo
2nd PlaceButterfield Acres

Best Christmas event

- 1st PlaceTransAlta WildLights
2nd PlaceHeritage Park

Best Place for programs for preschoolers

- 1st PlaceCalgary Parks & Recreation
2nd PlaceYMCA

Best Place for extracurricular programs

- 1st PlaceCalgary Parks & Recreation
2nd PlaceYMCA

Best children's camp

- 1st PlaceYMCA
2nd PlaceCalgary Parks & Recreation
3rd PlaceButterfield Acres

Best playground (indoor)

- 1st PlaceBonkers
2nd PlaceTon of Fun

Best ski area in Alberta

- 1st PlaceLake Louise
2nd PlaceSunshine
3rd PlaceCOP

Best swimming pool

- 1st PlaceCalgary Parks & Recreation
Leisure Centres
2nd PlaceYMCA

Best family fitness facility

- 1st PlaceYMCA
2nd PlaceCalgary Parks & Recreation
Leisure Centres

AND FINALLY . . .

Best place to take your kids on a crummy day

- 1st PlaceScience Centre
2nd PlaceDevonian Gardens
3rd PlaceTon of Fun

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