



PROGRAM MANAGER'S REPORT

There is just something I love about Autumn. Don't get me wrong, I like

the carefree, unstructured days of summer but it's exciting to think about the start of a new season. As young children, we learned that the fall is filled with new people, places, and opportunities. It's when we got all of our new school supplies and were excited to dive into new activities. That is exactly how I'm feeling about the fall session here at Child Care Options.

We are excited to announce the launch our of new online training platform. This fall you will be able to register for workshops, download your certificates and connect with other early care and learning professionals all in one place. You'll be able to see a history of training you've taken with us and even get reminders for upcoming workshops you've registered for! The launch date will be announced soon, be sure to subscribe to our E-bulletin to get more information.

Speaking of training, we'd like to thank the ECE Professional Development Bursary Fund for supporting us this Fall to offer the Building Bridges Through Understanding the Village workshops as well as our next Community of Practice - Illuminating Care: The Pedagogy and Practice of Care in Early Childhood Communities. We are very excited to be offering these excellent training opportunities, be sure to register early as spaces are limited!

Family child care drop-ins in our play studio have been a huge success and we are happy to announce we are now booking space for larger group centres. The play studio is a great field trip destination for 3-5 year old's and is free to book! Contact our Community Connectors at 604.572.8032 for more information.

If you've been thinking about applying to be a \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program, the call for applications is now open. Child care operators who meet the eligibility requirements can now apply to the \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program. Applications for this round of expansion will be accepted until 11:59 a.m. PST on August 18, 2022. Learn more at:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/caring-for-young-children/running-daycare-preschool/10-a-day-childcarebc-centres/10-a-day-apply

The call for applications for the ChildCareBC New Spaces Fund is now open. There are some key changes to this year's application, to learn more please visit:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/caring-for-young-children/space-creation-funding/childcare-new-spaces-fund

SOCIAL NETWORKING: AN EVENING OF LEARNING, CONNECTING, AND FUN

Monday, September 19 • 6:30 - 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: FREE • Surrey

Saturday, November 5 • 10:00 am – 12:00 pm • 2 hours • Cost: FREE • Surrey

Are you a child care provider who loves learning from others and would like to exchange ideas? Are you missing a connection to other educators and community? Networking evenings provide an opportunity to meet and learn from each other. These sessions include time for questions about your current issues, challenges, and inspiring ideas. Please join us for a fun and informative evening.

Facilitators: Child Care Options Outreach Consultants

Please Note:

Certificates for professional development purposes will be issued. Light refreshments will be provided.

To register please call our office: 604.572.8032

For family child care providers operating a RLNR, LFCC or IHMA facility in Delta, Surrey or White Rock.

EMERGENCY CHILD CARE FIRST AID COURSE

Saturday, November 19 • 9:00 am – 6:00 pm • 9 hours • Cost: \$110 • Surrey

Facilitator: Pacific First Aid Instructor



To register contact Pacific First Aid or Vital Link 604-644-4709 • www.pacificfirstaid.ca or www.vital-link.ca

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

GROUP CHILD CARE CENTRES NETWORK

Thursday, October 6 • 6:30 - 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: FREE • Surrey

Thursday, December 8 • 6:30 - 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: FREE • Surrey

Join us for a time to connect and engage with others working in group child care settings.

New to networking? These networking groups will offer the chance to make connections and foster relationships with other child care providers who share the same common interests and goals. Together we will share our ideas, challenges and thoughts which will provide a safe place for you to share.

Facilitators: Child Care Options Community Connectors

Please Note:

Certificates for professional development purposes will be issued. Light refreshments will be provided.

To register please call our office: 604.572.8032

For educators working in group child care facilities in Delta, Surrey or White Rock.



12 Thursday evenings • 6:30-9:00pm • Cost: \$275.00; includes textbook • Online September 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1, 8 & 15

The GOOD BEGINNINGS courses will not only help you explore various areas of child care, but will also guide you to create the policies and procedures necessary to develop your business, introduce you to a network of family child care providers, and provide you with resources and contacts specific to your family child care business. Participants taking level 1 and level 2 will get a certificate for 30 hours of professional development.

Upon successful completion of the course, assignments and parent package, a certificate will be issued by BCFCCA with the hours attended shown.

20 HOUR RESPONSIBLE ADULT LEVEL 1

8 Thursday evenings • 6:30-9:00pm • Cost: \$180.00; includes textbook • Online September 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17

This course meets the requirements for 20 hours of training for "Responsible Adult" as stipulated by the Child Care Regulation to qualify for employment in family child care or school age child care settings. Through interactive sessions, this course covers basic concepts about child development, child guidance, health, safety, nutrition and programming. Participants must be at least 19 years old to register, attend all sessions and complete all assignments with a satisfactory mark in order to receive a certificate of completion. Participants taking level 1 only will get a certificate for 20 hours of professional development.

Upon successful completion of the course and assignments, a certificate will be issued by BCFCCA with the hours attended shown.

This curriculum meets the training requirements to qualify individuals to work in child care settings for children from birth to 12 years of age, such as Occasional Licensed Child Care, School-Age Licensed Group Child Care, and Licensed Family Child Care.

Registration for this course is not available online. To register, please contact our office at 604.572.8032

REGISTRATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

To reserve a space in a workshop, payment must be received at the time of registration. Post-dated cheques will not be accepted. Methods of payment include Visa and MasterCard. Payment by debit, cheque or cash is available for in-person registration. Registrations are accepted by telephone and online with payment.

When you receive your confirmation please verify it with your records.

Please note your workshop dates on your personal calendar as Child Care Options does not phone participants to remind of workshops.

Workshop cancellations:

Requests for workshop cancellations **MUST** be received at least **48 hours prior** to the scheduled workshop date. Cancellation requests received before this deadline will receive a credit voucher to be used towards future workshops at Child Care Options. No refunds will be issued, however you can send a substitute in your place. Please call our office to inform of the substitution.

Course cancellations:

Requests for course cancellations **MUST** be received at least **72 hours prior** to the scheduled course start date. Cancellation requests received before the 72 hour deadline will receive a cheque for the amount of the course minus a \$25.00 administration fee. Cancellation requests received after this deadline will be issued a credit voucher for the amount of the course minus a \$25.00 administration fee. The credit voucher can be used towards future courses and workshops at Child Care Options CCRR.

- Refunds will not be issued due to technical difficulties with your equipment.
- No monies will be refunded or credits offered once the workshop or course starts.
- If enrolment for any workshop is insufficient, Child Care Options CCRR may cancel or reschedule the class. In the case of cancellation, payment will be reimbursed or credited.

Professional Development Certificates

Replacement certificates will be issued for **up to 5 years** of the date of the workshop. Fees may apply.

- For replacement certificates for the Good Beginnings and 20 Hour Responsible Adult courses please contact BCFCCA at: office@bcfcca.ca
- Certificates are **not** provided for Parent Education Sessions.

In-person training:

Certificates will be issued **on the evening of your workshop.** To receive a training certificate for the full length of the workshop, you must arrive on time, participate, and stay for the entire session.

Online training:

Certificates will be **emailed within a week** from the date of the workshop. If you have not received your certificate please notify our office within two weeks. If we have not heard from you we will assume you have received your certificate and replacement fees will apply.

Please take note of the location of the session you register for. For this upcoming fall, workshops will be offered either online or in-person.





SURREY

Child Care Options CCRR #100-6846 King George Blvd, Surrey.

Delta

Delta Manor Education Centre 4750 57 St, Delta.

ONLINE

Workshops hosted via the Zoom platform.

Policies for in-person training

- Workshops start promptly at the time indicated. Late arrivals to a workshop will be admitted at the discretion of the presenter and certificates will be adjusted. Late arrivals will not be admitted into first aid courses. You must arrive on time as the class begins right away and there is a large amount of material to cover.
- We are unable to accommodate children during a workshop or course.
- Photographs may be taken during training, either by us or other participants. By registering, you will be giving permission that photos containing your image/ likeness may be used.
- Child Care Options CCRR follows current BC public health guidelines for in-person gatherings and events.

Note: Due to COVID-19 and following all public health guidelines, in-person training may be moved online.



COVID-19 Precautions For In-Person Training

If you are registered for an in-person training session and you have flu-like or COVID-19 symptoms, please do not attend the workshop as you will not be admitted into the building.

Click on this link to do a symptoms self-check beforehand: bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/about-covid-19/symptoms

If you cannot attend a workshop that you are registered for, we do not offer refunds but you can send a substitute in your place. Please call our office to inform of the substitution.

Policies for online training

- Online workshops will be held on the Zoom platform. You will need a laptop, computer or smartphone with access to internet, video and audio.
- We highly encourage you to have your video on throughout the workshop.
- Workshops start promptly at the time indicated.
- Participants arriving or logging-in late or leaving early will have their certificates adjusted.
- Photographs may be taken during training, either by us or other participants. By registering, you will be giving permission that photos containing your image/ likeness may be used.



LEARNING TOGETHER - SHARING MÉTIS CULTURE

Monday, September 12 • 6:30 - 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: Free • Surrey

Métis Nation British Columbia's Ministry of Education presents a workshop in understanding, identifying, and supporting Métis children and culture in early years programming. Through an interactive workshop, the facilitator will share information on Métis history and culture in Canada. Understanding who Métis are, and ways individuals can connect. Through cultural resources, the facilitator will demonstrate how to incorporate cultural items into early years programs and activities, to ensure children learn more about the Métis culture. Métis children and families will begin to see themselves reflected in the programming provided within their community. Throughout the workshop participants and facilitators will encompass and reflect on the Métis core values while engaging in an interactive workshop that focuses on relationships, connectivity and collaboration of knowledge and learning.

Presenter: Deep Mann

Deep has worked with children and families in the early childhood education field for 12 years. Deep has worked in a variety of child care programs, in daycare, preschool and junior kindergarten. Her interest in Métis culture grew from her youth when she experienced Fort Langley which led her to a Bachelor of Arts in English and History. She has experience facilitating Good Beginnings and working with families and child care programs in her outreach position at CCRR. She is excited to take her gained knowledge to MNBC and help share the Métis culture.

This workshop is presented in partnership with Métis Nation BC.





BRINGING EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE INTO THE CLASSROOM

Thursday, September 15 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Online

"People don't remember what you said, they remember how you made them feel." - Maya Angelou

This workshop will provide practical ways of how to focus on connecting with the classroom in a deeper way. Listen and learn from a story of a kindergarten teacher in Harlem who used emotional intelligence techniques in her classroom. This gained her recognition in the way she was able to run her class with calmness even when many of the children were facing challenges outside the classroom. Learn about the way you can use language and small changes in the classroom to connect with the children and practical tips on how to integrate teaching emotional intelligence at an early age.

Presenters: Jagdeep Hayre and Siddika Jessa

Jagdeep has been a licensed ECE since 2001 and has worked in many sectors with children and families. She is a Parent Peer Support worker with FamilySmart and continues to support families through lived experience in this role. Jagdeep is also a licensed facilitator with Canadian Mental Health Association where she facilitates 8 week programs teaching Cognitive Behavioural Therapy to Adults and Youth. She is herself a parent to two children who she calls her best teachers in life!

Founder of WiderLens, Siddika runs development programs to inspire individuals towards positive and authentic action. Her day job is in an executive leadership position in the Information Technology industry and she leads technical workshops in that field. Her passion in human development was sparked due to the many valuable lessons she learnt in her leadership journey. Through the medium of workshops, she continues her leadership journey of sharing and learning. She believes in starting the emotional intelligence journey at an early age to foster a healthy adulthood. Siddika's ability to lean into discomfort to find comfort is infectious and you may find yourself in the same conundrum in her session. Her facilitation style is known to be extremely interactive, fun and practical with thoughtful reflection and critical observations.



HELPING CHILDREN COPE WITH STRESS IN CHILD CARE 1/2 HOUR RREAK, BRING LUNCH

Saturday, September 17

10:00 am - 2:30 pm • 4 hours • Cost: \$40.00 • Surrey

Stress is a part of life and can be found all around us. Child care is no exception. Child care providers should be aware of the stressors each child is experiencing, and should be active in helping children in their child care programs manage and cope with stress. Child care providers can teach appropriate stress management. This workshop will not only help you recognize childhood stress, but provide you with many helpful resources to use in your child care environment when working and caring for children.

Presenter: Vicki Lepper

Vicki operated a licensed child care in Coquitlam for over 30 years and is a passionate child care advocate, was a board member for BC Family Child Care Association, presents her own workshops, is a "Good Beginnings: Professional Development for Child Care Providers" – Facilitator for BCFCCA, a member of the Tri-Cities ECD Committee and networks with child care providers. Vicki received many awards, and loves connecting and sharing resources with those who have chosen a career working with children and families.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

MINDFUL TRANSITIONS FOR CALM CLASSROOMS

Monday, September 19 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

Join Jennie Abbot, Founder and Director of Harmony Kids Yoga & Mindfulness Company in this dynamic workshop designed to offer educators the knowledge, skills and tools to support their students and to create a calm classroom using mindfulness for kids. Learn a variety of transition techniques to support children throughout the day in a variety of ways such as in the lineup, coming inside after outdoor activities or during an excessively high energy time. Attendees will be introduced to the concept of The Mindful Corner, a hands-on self regulation station where children can use calming tools such as breathing, movement and mindfulness independently when they are dealing with big feelings. The helpful transition techniques and creation of a Mindful Corner in the classroom will support educators in making their day run more smoothly and invite a peaceful classroom community. Children's mindfulness helps to develop essential tools such as self-awareness, improved confidence, self-regulation skills, and self-advocacy. These tools are gifts that can transform the lives of the children that receive them. Come join us for this fun and interactive workshop on how to use mindful transitions to support your students and create your own calm classroom.

Presenter: Jennie Abbot

Jennie is the Founder and Director of Harmony Kids Yoga & Mindfulness Company, the creator of YogaBREAK for Classrooms, Harmony at Home Kits, various Parenting and Educator Workshops and The My Peaceful Play Game for Kids. She is a Registered Yoga Teacher (RYT) and Registered Children's Yoga Teacher (CYA-CYT) with the Canadian Yoga Alliance teaching over 75,000 children to date. Jennie is the co-creator of the Harmony 95 Hour Registered Children's Yoga Teacher Training Program through the International Yoga Alliance. Jennie offers workshops for parents and educators in partnership with the Institute of Child Psychology. Jennie is also a Color Me Yoga Children's Yoga Teacher Graduate, Rainbow Kids Yoga Certified Instructor, with Specialties in Yoga for the Special Needs, Safe Anatomy for Children and Trauma Informed Yoga for Children and Youth through Yoga Ed. In addition, Jennie has taken Mindfulness Training through Dr. Dan Siegel, Author and Executive Director of the Mindsight Institute and Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction training with the Center for Mindfulness. Jennie is in participation in a professional learning community that is a project of the Fred Rogers Institute. Jennie has worked with children, families, government, non-profit organizations and educators for over 20 years sharing her passion of bringing happiness and peace into the lives of children through yoga and mindfulness.

ENGAGING WITH THE BC EARLY LEARNING FRAMEWORK

4 Thursdays: September 22, 29, October 6, 13 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm 8 hours • Online • Cost: \$75.00 (includes 3 books: the BC Early Learning Framework, Let's Play, and Play Today)

The BC Early Learning Framework (BC ELF) is a guiding document for early years programs. How can we move beyond information to action when working with children and families? In this course we will have an overview of the framework and helpful ideas on how to incorporate the principles of the BC ELF into your work. The interactive format of this course will make space for the sharing of ideas and collaboration between participants and staff teams. Together we will discover how to move beyond "ELF on the Shelf", to full inclusion of the framework in early years spaces.

Presenter: Charlene Gray

Charlene has been immersed in the early years sector for over 35 years. She continues to be inspired and motivated by the children, families and educators she works with in her role as Senior Manager for the Comox Valley Children's Day Care Society. Charlene is past president of ECEBC, a Best Choices Ethical Journey Guide and a sessional instructor in the ECCE program at North Island College. As someone who values collaboration and dialogue, she views the Early Learning Framework as a vessel for exploration and unpacking of long held beliefs and ideas on how we work, learn and exist together with young children.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOUR: A POSITIVE APPROACH TO GUIDANCE

Monday, September 26 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

This workshop will explore ways to guide children's behaviour in a positive way. The educators will learn about self-regulation, reflective behaviour and relationship building. We will also discuss the underlying factors that affect children's emotional health and cause behaviour issues. We will talk about creating a child centred curriculum and environment to manage these issues. We will also discuss effective conflict resolution.

Presenter: Pooja Kalsi

Pooja has a Master's degree in Early Childhood Education from State University of New York. She has 23 years of experience in the early childhood field as a teacher, facilitator, supervisor, director and instructor. She is very passionate about finding ways to promote children's creativity and expression of discovery. She currently teaches at Langara College in the ECE department. She is a mother of two children and believes that she continues to learn from the world around her.



BUILDING BRIDGES THROUGH UNDERSTANDING THE VILLAGE

Saturday, October 1 • 9:00 am – 4:30 pm • 7 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Delta

The Building Bridges through Understanding the Village workshop will provide educators the opportunity to cognitively and emotionally comprehend how colonization affected Indigenous communities throughout generations. The participants will learn how to begin the process of decolonizing the education system in order to create culturally appropriate early childhood education programs. In her master thesis, Laura Jane Buchanan wrote: "This workshop is geared to solutions rather than recrimination and is a forum in which to ask questions." The training maintains a non-blame and non-shame perspective and is an invitation to participants to become part of the ongoing healing that is already taking place in many Indigenous 'villages.'

Presenters: Kathi Camilleri

Kathi is an Aboriginal woman who has coordinated healing programs in the Aboriginal Community for 19 years. She has a Master's Degree in Leadership Studies. Kathi works with Aboriginal Mental Health and has her own consulting business. She facilitates strategic planning sessions and experiential workshops regarding Canada's Policy of Assimilation and Colonization with social workers, foster parents, health care workers, church groups, students and educators and frontline workers in communities across Canada. The healing power and personal impact of this work elicits rave reviews. One participant wrote: "Kathi uses humour, kindness and wisdom to hold the space safely for us while we change how we see the world and how we forever interact with those who have Aboriginal Heritage. It is easy to learn because of her gentle ways, and her respect for all people."

Please note:

- This workshop will be addressing Residential Schools and its effects in an in-depth way. Participation may trigger unresolved grief and loss issues for some.
- Each participant will receive a copy of "Speaking Our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation" by Monique Gray Smith.
- Doors open at 8:30 am.
- · Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

This workshop is made possible through the ECE Professional Development Bursary Fund and is held in partnership with Delta Continuing Education, Early Childhood Education Department.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.



INDIGENOUS RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THE JOY AND LOVE OF READING

Monday, October 3 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours

Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

In this workshop, participants will be introduced to many new resources that engage families in authentic Indigenous resources and books that teach children about the diversity of Indigenous peoples and cultures. By the end of this workshop, I hope you will be able to answer the following questions: Who are some of the local Indigenous authors? Where can I purchase authentic Indigenous resources? What makes a resource authentic? How can I connect story books to oral story telling? Why do I need to include Indigenous resources if I don't ave any Indigenous families in my program?

Presenter: Nadine McSpadden

Nadine is from the Secwepemc Nation and currently works for SD42 as an Aboriginal Resource Teacher. When working for SD36, her portfolio included running a program called Bannock and Books. Its intention was to bring Indigenous families into the school for a play-based after school session related to reading and early literacy.



COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE - ILLUMINATING CARE: THE PEDAGOGY AND PRACTICE OF CARE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMUNITIES

6 sessions: October 13, November 10, December 8, January 12, February 9 & March 9 • 6:30 - 9:00 pm • 12.5 hours Cost: \$ 40.00 (includes Illuminating Care book, ECEBC Code of Ethics, and a light meal each session) • Surrey

"What would our practice look like if we lifted up the daily chores of caring as honorable rituals and essential educational practices?' Caring is not only a physical task - caring requires an attitude and a relationship. In routines such as washing and dressing, feeding and comforting, we transform daily rituals through care relationships into opportunities for teaching and learning. The child is learning every moment and learning the deepest lessons through the caring exchange."

- Except from Carol Garboden Murray's book Carol Garboden Murray's book "Illuminating Care: The Pedagogy and Practice of Care in Early Childhood Communities."

We are excited to invite you to join us to explore the power of Illuminating Care by Carol Garboden Murray. Together we will engage in collaborative dialogue, discussion, and critical reflection of our current practices and explore a "new way of thinking about care and incorporating it into the heart of our pedagogy." Carol Garboden Murray!

This Community of Practice is for anyone working with children who is looking for new ways to inspire learning and create a community within early childhood education.

Presenters: Daljit Dial and Ewa Boss

Daljit has been working with Child Care Options CCRR for over a decade, currently as a Child Care Consultant. She is passionate about working in the community service sector with children and families, her focus being the early years.

Ewa has a Master's Degree in Pedagogy of Early Years Education and over 20 years in the field as an educator, facilitator, program coordinator and an instructor at Delta Continuing Education. She believes that learning is an ongoing journey.

This initiative is funded through the Canada-British Columbia Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia, in partnership with the Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre (WCCRC), the agency responsible for administering the funds.

EMBRACING THE ORDINARY:

UNDERSTANDING AND CREATING PEDAGOGICAL NARRATIONS

Saturday, October 15 • 10:00 am – 2:30 pm • 4 hours • Cost: \$40.00 • Surrey



Do you feel like you're always running out of time and unsure how to put together a pedagogical narration (PN)? In this workshop participants will look at different ways to present and utilize PN's within the 0-5 settings. We'll address common concerns around how to fit pedagogical narrations into your class schedule and in easy to understand methods!

The goal of this workshop is that educators will leave feeling more confident in their understanding of the creation and purpose of pedagogical narrations and how they can be used within the classroom setting.

Presenter: Ashleigh Davies

Ashleigh is a post basic instructor with Sprott Shaw College who has been working with children for several years, starting out as a drama and musical theatre instructor.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.



A CIRCLE OF INCLUSION

Monday, October 17 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours Cost: Free • Surrey

Promoting inclusive practices is a priority in early childhood classrooms. How do we ensure that we are inclusive during one of the most important parts of this part of the daily routine....circle time? It is through setting up a welcoming environment that honors diversity that supports the commitment to the practices of inclusion.

In this interactive workshop, educators will have the opportunity to participate in an inclusive gathering time and gain ideas to bring into their classrooms. We will discuss the purpose behind an inclusive gathering time and why it is an important part of our daily routine. Educators will have opportunity to explore ideas and perspectives about what makes a circle time inclusive, where all children's needs are met and respected. Participants will be given the chance to reflect on personal practices, share what inclusion looks like and means to them and consider how they can infuse this into their own gathering times.

Presenters: Supported Child Development Consultants from the Centre for Child Development

This workshop is presented in partnership with the Centre for Child Development.

PROMOTING SELF-REGULATION WITH THE BOTTOM-UP APPROACH

Thursday, October 20 • 6:30 - 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$ 20.00 • Surrey

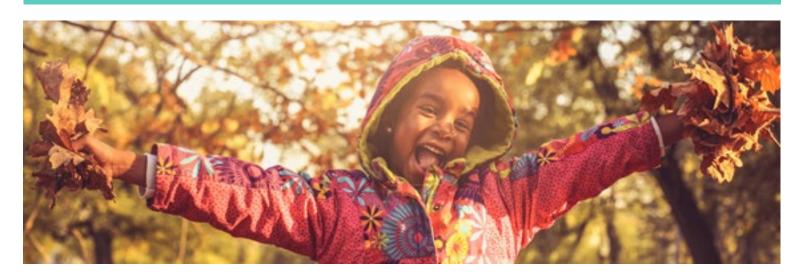
Research has shown that self-regulation is one of the key life skills related to learning as well as emotional, social, and physical well-being. From taking turns to expressing their big emotions appropriately, infants and toddlers require much learning, practice, and support from early childhood educators.

During this workshop, early childhood educators will be introduced to their crucial role as co-regulators while discussing the development of regulation. They will explore different strategies to meet an individual child's needs based on tackling different levels of the brain.

Presenter: Dr. Minnie Mossop

Dr. Minnie Mossop is a passionate infant and toddler specialist with a Ph.D. and MA in Infant and Early Childhood Development and an M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education. Her research interests cover various mental health areas (e.g., attachment, brain development, co-regulation) of young children, especially infants and toddlers. She is a faculty member of the Early Childhood Education Program at Douglas College. She has also supported hundreds of families and ECEs in North America through online/offline consultations and group workshops.

Suitable for early childhood educators, especially those who work with infants and toddlers in group child care settings.



GUIDING AND CARING THROUGH A FOUNDATION OF RELATIONSHIP

Monday, October 24 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

A practical workshop to working in a foundation of relationship to guide and care the children within your program. From on-boarding families, to their first days and everyday after. How do you have a program rooted in care and response to the true needs of children? We will offer you real life examples of how we have implemented guiding and caring into every aspect of our day, by looking at the make up of your program and places where educators can alter reactions to children to meet them where they need to be met. We are the voices that these children will carry with them as they grow. Let's reflect together!

Presenter: Tara Hansson & Lauren Creed

For over a decade, Tara has worked as an early child care educator, stemming from theme based programs but finding her home in a Reggio-Inspired program in Delta, BC. In the early stages of her career, Tara experienced that dittos and pre-planned activities were not an effective tool to inspire learning and set out on a journey to become the teacher she dreamed she'd be. Through additional schooling, case studies and interviews, she has worked her way into her current management role, and is proud to share her findings and successes, and hopes to be an inspiration in the ECE community.

Lauren is currently the leader of 25 educators of a multi-site Reggio-Inspired, emergent program in Delta BC, for children 0-12. Lauren's mission each day is to inspire and motivate children to go beyond the status quo, to inspire programs that advocate for critical thinking and above all empathy and compassion for one another. Not only does Lauren strive to inspire the children each day she also motivates her fast-growing team to not be satisfied with the "same old same old" and push their comforts and limits to raise their standard of early childhood education. She is an advocate for working intentionally with children and believes that Early Childhood Educators have a vital role in creating a better world.



AS I AM, IS ENOUGH!

Thursday, October 27 • 6:30 – 8:00 pm • 1.5 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Online

In this presentation, Madeline will share with us the most crucial lesson there is to learn: "As I am, is Enough". On this evening she will share some of her most fragile moments from her Fire Within presentation. Taking you through an emotional roller coaster, Madelaine will leave you speechless with her realness and vulnerability as she helps you to discover the importance of finding self-worth and acceptance.

Presenter: Madelaine McCallum

Madelaine is a dancer and motivational speaker from Ile a la Crosse, Saskatchewan.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

MEETING UP WITH CHILDREN'S LIVELY MINDS: SCHEMA EXPLORATIONS AND SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

Thursday, November 3 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Online

Join Nadia and Deb as they share stories from their book Children's Lively Minds and their daily work in the classroom with children, about the profound importance of repeated patterns in children's play (Schema Explorations) for brain development and learning. Study how these natural approaches to play enhance children's social skills and grow their collaboration and expand their learning. You will hear engaging ideas about children of all ages, and the role you can play to support children's eagerness for relationships to enhance your own engagement in your work.

Presenter: Nadia Jaboneta and Deb Curtis, MA

Nadia lives in the San Francisco Bay area with her husband and 3 children. She is a program coordinator and classroom teacher at Pacific Primary preschool in San Francisco, California. She has 22 years of experience in Early Childhood Education, teaching young children, training teachers, consulting and facilitating workshops. She is passionate about social justice and is proud to have immigrant parents from Lima, Peru. Nadia attended San Francisco State University for both her Bachelor's and Master's degree. She has written numerous articles for the magazine Teaching Young Children, focused on the anti-bias education practices she uses in her classroom. She also is the author of two popular books, one entitled You Can't Celebrate That: Navigating The Deep Waters of Social Justice Education, and Children's Lively Minds; Schema Theory Made Visible.

Deb is a passionate advocate for children and childhood. She has spent many, many years working with children and teachers in early childhood programs, observing and studying children and child development. Her experiences have led her to a deep respect for children and their abilities, and a strong commitment to work in their behalf. She is a strong advocate for social justice and anti-bias, anti-racist education for children and adults. Along with teaching children, Deb works with teachers in child care programs, college settings, seminars and institutes all over North America, New Zealand and Australia. Currently she spends her time with children at Interlaken Child Care Center in Seattle, WA. She is the co-author of many articles and books related to working with young children. Her most recent book is Children's Lively Minds written with Nadia Jaboneta. You can learn more about these resources at readleafpress.org

BUILDING BRIDGES THROUGH UNDERSTANDING THE VILLAGE

Saturday, November 5 • 9:00 am – 4:30 pm • 7 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • TBD

See page 10 for description and details.

Presenter: Kathi Camilleri

See bio on page 10.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

AUTISM IN THE 21ST CENTURY

INCLUDING AN INTRODUCTION INTO PATHOLOGICAL DEMAND AVOIDANCE (PDA)

2 Mondays: November 7 & 14 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 4 hours • Cost: \$40.00 • Online

Autism, Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA), Neurodiversity: these are the buzz words today in many disability conversations. What do these terms mean to you? Do you know someone who is Autistic? If not, does the word frighten you? It neither predicts nor limits how successful a child will become. Come and learn about neurodiversity, neurodivergence and how an autistic neurology may impact an individual and their family.

This will include an introduction to Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA), a new profile in Autism. Autistic children often appear to refuse to comply with requests or demands especially for things they don't prefer over ones they do. Those with a PDA profile experience severe anxiety over similar situations but also include everyday demands such as hygiene, eating, dressing, and attending school. Parents and educators often hear "I can't" and interpret it as "I won't". Let's see what is really happening for these children, how they respond and how can we help them move forward

Presenter: Pam Collins

Pam very proudly identifies as neurodivergent and has two multiply neurodivergent adult sons. She recently resigned after 18 years as an Autism/ Neurodiversity Support Consultant and an Educator for Reach Child and Youth Development Society and started her own company Neurodivergent by Nature. She is a co-founder of the Richmond Autism Interagency Committee – a group dedicated to increasing opportunities for people with autism to be accepted and celebrated in their communities.





GREAT STORY TIMES - SPECTACULAR SEASONS: FALL & WINTER

Monday, November 14 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

Come join us for great story time ideas! In this interactive workshop, children's staff from Surrey Libraries will share secrets for creating fun, easy story times, including practical, hands-on activities educators can do with children birth to age 6.

Presenter: Yesenia Ricardo & Susan Andrews

Yesenia and Susan are children's services staff members at the Guildford Branch of Surrey Libraries. They love to sing songs, share rhymes, and engage children of all ages with the silly and wonderful magic of storytelling.

This workshop is offered in partnership with Surrey Libraries.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

LEADERSHIP LENS

2 Thursdays: November 17 & 24 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 4 hours • Cost: \$40.00 • Online

Katelyn sees leadership as a lifestyle not just a set of skills. It is a way of influencing change, creating connections, and building community. In the field of early childhood education leadership is not only what drives systemic change but also what creates healthy classroom dynamics. This workshop will explore leadership in early childhood education from the perspective of relationship-based leadership theories. We will discuss the work of leadership experts such as Brené Brown, Drew Dudley, and Ronald Short. We will put theories into practice to develop our ability to see multiple perspectives and navigate through conflict and relationships. We will engage with the concepts of values and ethics to be conscious of how these show up in our own lives and in the lives of others. Further, through learning new skills in this workshop we will develop a new awareness that will support our own personal and professional growth which will support our own wellness.

Presenter: Katelyn Moon

Katelyn is a white settler of mixed European decent who resides on the unceded territory of the Stó:lō peoples (Chilliwack BC). Katelyn has been an early childhood educator since 2007; she has been highly regarded for her work focused on child-led learning and social emotional development. Over the last several years Katelyn has worked in community and regional child and youth roles supporting Indigenous peoples. Katelyn is a student in the Master of Arts in Leadership with a health focus at Royal Roads University.

ORIGINAL LEARNING

Saturday, November 19 • 9:30 am – 12:30 pm • 3 hours • Cost: \$30.00 • Online

A presentation about the importance of play in preschools and child care. How children need access to a varied play diet both indoors and outdoors. Inspiration for play, how to observe play and how play can teach you to be a better educator. How learning and play are interwoven and the complexity of play eco-systems.

Presenter: Suzanne Axelsson

Suzanne works as a pedagogical consultant using listening and philosophy with children as tools to improve democratic learning and play spaces in early childhood education. She works on the Early Years program at the Department of Child and Youth Studies, Stockholm University. Suzanne has a masters in ECE and has travelled globally to hold workshops, presentations, and visit early years settings. She writes on her blog, Interaction Imagination, about play, listening, neurodiversity, and sustainability, etc. and curates the facebook group "The Original Learning Approach." She is exploring Indigenous Knowledge as threads of thinking in Original Learning, where play and learning are equally valued and interwoven.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

BREAKING THE BINARY:

SUPPORTING TRANSGENDER AND GENDER CREATIVE CHILDREN IN THE EARLY YEARS

Monday, November 21 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Online

In this workshop, we will discuss concepts around gender expression and gender identity. Participants will gain knowledge of the particular barriers transgender and gender creative children face as we explore how we can create a safe, equitable, and gender-expansive learning environment. Additionally, we will discuss how managers and co-workers can support gender diverse staff in the field of early childhood education.

Presenter: TK Hannah

TK is an Early Childhood Educator with years of experience in forest schools in Ontario and BC. They are a manager at Saplings Outdoor Program and a college instructor at Vancouver Career College. TK is passionate about forest school, risk and adventure play, LGBTQ inclusion and rights-based education. Teacher TK strives to create a safe and equitable environment for children (and adults!) where they are free to discuss big ideas, explore, take risks and have wild adventures. TK is a non-binary transgender person who uses they/them pronouns.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

STORYBASKET-HOW TO TELL STORY IN 10 DIFFERENT WAYS

Monday, November 24 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours

Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

There are many ways to tell a story. From felt board stories to puppets and from drawing stories to magnetic stories. Oana invites you to take a story telling trip with them and learn How to Tell a Story in Many Different Ways. Stories are meant to promote language development, develop problem-solving skills, develop creative thinking, develop imagination, and improve public speech

Presenter: Oana Nistor

Oana is an early childhood educator, a Montessori teacher, and storyteller. She's been working in the ECE field for over 20 years. Presently, she works as an Early Childhood Educator Instructor at Ridge Meadows College in Maple Ridge. She is passionate about children and about stories and their teaching power. She is fascinated by the power of stories and more importantly the benefits and the lessons we can learn from stories.

Note: Make & Take kits will be avaiable for sale after the workshop.





SENSORY EXPERIENCES FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS

Monday, November 28 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

Infants and toddler learn through the exploration of their senses. Join this participatory workshop to be reminded of the importance of sensory play for infants and toddlers, share your ideas and learn new ways to create an environment that is full of enriching sensory based experiences.

Presenter: Andrea James

Andrea has been an Early Childhood Educator for over 30 years and currently works as an ECE Instructor at Langara College.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

NAVIGATING DEEP WATERS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE.

Thursday, December 1 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Online

Nadia Jaboneta will share a story of her social justice journey as she partners with families to explore cultural identity, religious celebrations and expressions of racism. Participants will learn ways to use the anti-bias goals as part of their everyday practice in working with young children, families and their school community.

Presenter: Nadia Jaboneta

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SOCIAL EMOTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Saturday, December 3 • 9:00 am – 3:30 pm • 6 hours • Cost: \$60.00 • Surrey



Participants will learn about social emotional development in children and youth and how extra support needs can influence development. Participants will also learn about inclusive social emotional learning and considerations for adaptation.

Presenter: Karen LeSage

Karen has 25 years of experience working with children and youth in child care and community settings. Throughout her career her focus has been on inclusion for all children. She is a licensed early childhood educator, infant/toddler educator and special needs educator. She has worked as a supported child development consultant for the past 16 years. Karen is a certified 95 hour Children's Yoga Teacher and has been trained in the Mindful Schools Curriculum

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

HOW TO TALK TO PARENTS ABOUT THEIR CHILD'S BEHAVIOUR

Monday, December 5 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours • Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

This presentation is intended to emphasize the current information on recommended practices for working with families. It includes a brief review of the parental and professional roles, and review of promising Family Centered Practice. It also provides strategies on "how to" talk to parents regarding their child's behaviour in a friendly but informative way that will enhance parent-professional interactions, and prompt parents participation in their child's early education and development. The importance of, and strategies for collaborative communication and partnership with a family is also presented.

Presenter: Malgosia Tomanik M.Ed.

Malgosia is a Family Consultant who specializes in supporting children from preschool to high school age and their parents/caregivers in a variety of environments, including homes, school, and child care settings. Malgosia is experienced in addressing concerns associated with the daily challenges of caring for a child/youth who requires support, including helping to make sense of difficult behaviour and supporting the "big people" for each child in finding a way through. Malgosia also works as a Key Worker with the Fraser Valley Child Development Centre. She provides support to caregivers raising children and youth who are living with FASD, from birth to 19 years of age.

Suitable for all early learning and child care professionals.

BUBBLE & FIZZ/MYSTERIOUS MIXTURES

Monday, December 12 • 6:30 – 8:30 pm • 2 hours Cost: \$20.00 • Surrey

Join this hands-on workshop to explore how a variety of everyday kitchen ingredients can be used to explore chemistry with young children. We will investigate concepts such as dissolving, mixtures and separating, and how they are connected to the real world learning!

Presenter: Wendy Lorch

Wendy is the Early Learning Specialist at Science World, responsible for The Wonder Gallery; a space dedicated to under 5s, Preschool Curiosity Club; a parent-participation program and Big Science for Little Hands; professional development workshops for early educators. She has a background in early learning, Kindergarten and primary grades, science program development and adult workshop facilitation, having delivered a wealth of educator workshops across B.C.





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