



October - November - December 2021 WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS



Administration

10-7-21 Directors Institute: Farm to Early Care and Education (F2ECE) Collaborative

The October Director's Institute will kick off Farm to School and Early Care and Education Month by meeting at Ingram's Family Farm. Farmer Rhonda Ingram will tell us about the field trips she offers for child care centers, schools and families; take us on a tractor ride to her pumpkin patch and send each of us home with a pumpkin of our own. We will also be highlighting the Partnership's F2ECE activities for the month of October and brainstorming with you about our 2022 Farm to ECE Collaborative, currently in the planning stages. Boxed lunches will be provided and we will visit the farm's *Dessert Barn* for a tasty, seasonal treat.

Time: 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Location: 6121 Riverdale Dr. Ingram Farms, High Point

11-18-21 Directors' Institute: Informational Session

This session will provide updates on current and projected changes from the Division of Child Development Early Education, Health Department and Environmental Health. Open discussion to follow.

Time: 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Location: Online via Zoom

Everyone

Community of Learners influenced by The Reggio Emilia Approach to Education

11-6-21 Community of Learners Symposium: Technology: Techniques, Skills, Methods, and Processes Used in Open Inquiry

In this symposium, we will explore how to prepare learning environments with rich, interesting materials and tools that entice children to try a variety of techniques, skills, methods, and processes. While we will take a brief look at broad possibilities that invite and propel inquiry, we will focus on two: overhead projectors and point-and-shoot digital cameras (as well as the props that go with them, like translucent gems and things that make shadows). When we invite nature to be our partner in learning and wellness, we ultimately invite ourselves and each other into healing partnership. The outer landscapes of our environments and the inner landscapes of our beings can speak to each other in powerful ways. Our job is to open that communication. Children are full participants in this.

Goals:

1. Observe the possibilities that surround us in natural environments every day.
2. Notice how children engage and express connections with nature. Appreciate how we adults do, too.
3. Explore how we adults can be inspired by children's nature-based knowing, as well as facilitate deeper inquiry and connection within our learning environments.

Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Online via Zoom

12-7-21

Processing the Process: Experiencing Open-Ended Art

Let's toss the worksheets and see what our children can create. Join us as we learn about the benefits of open-ended art and how it can be incorporated into every lesson-plan, even around the holidays.

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Location: Randolph Arts Guild

Health & Wellness

10-19-21 Farm to Preschool Growing Minds Tool Kit

In this virtual workshop, early care and education professionals will get an introduction to the four core components of Farm to Preschool (edible gardening, farm field trips/farmer visits, local food classroom cooking/taste tests, and local food served in meals or snacks), as well as how to use the Growing Minds Farm to Preschool Toolkit in your center.

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Location: Online via Zoom

12-2-21

Movin' and Groovin'

Using the Be Active Kids Curriculum as a resource guide, our Movin' and Groovin' training will emphasize the importance of movement in the classroom setting and how to incorporate movement that is simple, free and FUN for both children and adults.

Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: First Baptist Church, Asheboro





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Infants and Toddlers

10-7-21 Session I
11-4-21 Session II

Creative Curriculum for Infants, Toddlers and Twos: Session I & II

Creative Curriculum is a comprehensive curriculum that draws its inspiration from multiple research-based philosophies. This two session training will include an overview of brain development and strategies to create activities based on the objectives for Learning & Development.

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Location: Harmony Place, Asheboro

ITS/SIDS

10-5-21
12-9-21

ITS-SIDS (Infant/Toddler Safe Sleep & Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)

This required training explains all the parts of North Carolina's SIDS Law. Participants will review information about when and how to use the approved waivers, how to best place a baby in bed to sleep, and other "Best Practice" recommendations. During the workshop, participants will get the needed information to create a Safe Sleep Policy, updated research about SIDS, and local health and safety resources. Participants also receive a walk-through on how to do an unresponsive infant drill and the importance for doing them regularly.

Note: 10/5 session Infant teacher only!

Masks are required for both sessions!

Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Health Department

Note: Training room is located on the Randolph County Schools side. This is the side that faces RCC. Enter from Industrial Park to Enterprise Dr. Go left at the stop sign. Park near the Randolph County Schools sign. Board Rooms A and B are under the breezeway on the left.

Outdoor Learning Environment

10-6-21 Session I
10-13-21 Session II

We know it is difficult to find substitutes for staff, therefore, most will not be able to take part in our Fall OLE Summit on September 30th. However, because teachers are so vital to the development and use of the outdoor play spaces, we are offering them an opportunity to tour our featured centers on two evenings in October. We will meet at 5:00pm each night at our first stop and spend 30 minutes touring the site before moving on to the next location. Of course, we encourage you to take part in both sessions, but attendance on just one evening is permitted. Please note, we will not be going inside any facility.

Masks are encouraged to be worn while on site at each center.

Early Educator Tour Schedule **October 6th**

5:00p to 5:30p: **The Kids of Hope**
203 English St.
Asheboro, NC

5:45p to 6:15p: **It's A Kid's World Preschool**
160 South Pointe Dr.
Randleman, NC

6:30p to 7:00p: **Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)**
1738 N. Fayetteville St.
Asheboro, NC

October 13th

5:00p to 5:30p: **Connie Redding Head Start**
118 Virginia Ave.
Asheboro, NC

5:45p to 6:15p: **Harmony Place**
312 W. Ward St.
Asheboro, NC

6:15p to 7:00p: Remain at Harmony Place to Debrief/Recap all Tours

Social/Emotional

11-9-21
FLIP-IT

An Intervention Strategy for Addressing Challenging Behavior FLIP-IT is a strategy anyone can use to address a challenging behavior. It is a simple, kind, strength-based, commonsense and effective four step process embodied in the FLIP-IT mnemonic: F-Feelings, L-Limits, I-Inquiries, and P-Prompts. FLIP-IT transforms best practice into a strategy that is easy to remember, applicable in a variety of challenging situations and portable. FLIP-IT may not be rocket science, but it is brain development, and an effective strategy all teachers should know how to use. Come learn how to FLIP your kids instead of flipping your lid!

Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Online via Zoom

