

THE 2010 SPRING WORKSHOP SERIES

Thursday evenings - March 11, 25, April 8, 29

For parents of young children, early childhood teachers, paraprofessionals, early education and care providers in public, private, Head Start and family child care home programs.

DATES: Thursday evenings March 11, 25, April 8, 29

PLACE: Brockton High School, Yellow Building Cafeteria

TIME: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

We are sorry, but child care is not available.

FREE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & INFORMATION .

Each workshop participant will receive a certificate of attendance for the workshops attended.

PLEASE NOTE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Pre-Registration for the next workshop will take place at each Thursday night workshop.

Phone Registrations will be accepted for one workshop at a time ONLY

on the specific dates that are listed below each workshop's date.

508-580-7491

WORKSHOPS

MARCH 11, 2010 FAMILY LITERACY: Focus on Storytelling

Phone Registration

Now - March 9 Presented by Nina Dickerman from *Compass for Kids- Lexington, MA*

"Tell me a story" is an often-repeated request of young children. Stories can be told by anyone, require no special equipment and encourage children to use their imaginations to construct personal values. We will identify the impact storytelling has on young children, explore how to tell a great meaningful story, and share strategies on where to fit storytelling into your daily schedule. Discussion will also include ideas for how to choose and use books in a variety of ways with young children. **PLEASE** bring your favorite children's book with you!

MARCH 25, 2010 TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF (tentative)

Phone Registration

March 12 - 23

Presented by *Compass for Kids- Lexington, MA*

Working in the "helping" professions often means that our work is emotionally intensive and resource-scarce. We will explore the impact of this on our day-to-day well-being. Participants will learn how to build awareness, avoid pitfalls, gain inspiration, and find time to foster healthy and sustainable work environments for you and your colleagues.

APRIL 8, 2010 LEARNING THROUGH PLAY

Phone Registration

March 26-April 5

Facilitator: Marie Enochty from *Compass for Kids- Lexington, MA*

We have all heard the expressions "Children learn through play" or "Play is children's work". In this workshop we will examine what play is and how play fosters children's learning. We will explore how to build learning into planned activities as well as the everyday experiences that occur throughout the day. You will discover how your environment, materials, activities and interactions provide robust learning opportunities.

APRIL 29, 2010 USING THE MA PRESCHOOL STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES FOR PRESCHOOL LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Phone Registration

April 9-April 26

Facilitator: Marie Enochty, Early Childhood Consultant

In April 2003, MA established Early Childhood Standards and Guidelines. What do they mean to us? How can we use them? Participants will have opportunities to review the Standards and Guidelines and see how they impact our work. This hands-on workshop will offer many ways to integrate and document the work you do with young children.