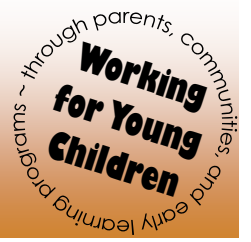




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Association for the Education of Young Children - Southeast Alaska
A Bulletin For Early Childhood Professionals

September-October 2007



Healthy Challenge from the Kicking Kiwis

Let's work together this year to get more activity and wholesome foods at work, and be great role models for children. Thanks to a grant from SEARHC "Steps to a Healthier Southeast Alaska," you will soon receive a health kit, with a challenge from the AEYC Kicking Kiwis team. Each early learning program is encouraged to choose a team name, and use the checklist to set a team goal for nutrition and activity. We will celebrate and support each other along the way, and with some fun activities at the conference. We are already planning our Kiwi costumes!

Health On the Move, SE Alaska Early Childhood Conference

March 13-15 in Juneau Save the Date!

Thursday March 13: Leadership pre-conference: morning and afternoon session, evening potluck event for families. Pre-conference leadership day is sponsored by Alaska AEYC.

Friday March 14: Ruthie Bushnell, Featured speaker. A high energy motivational presentation on teaching young children health and nutrition concepts through movement and motor skills. Choices of break-out sessions.

Evening banquet featuring Dr. Paul McGhee, on the use of humor in "coping with the stress children can sometimes generate."

Saturday March 15: Dr. Paul McGhee, featured speaker, will lead an opening and closing session to further explore the developmental stages of humor in young children, and the health outcomes of building our humor skills. Ruthie Bushnell will offer sessions specifically for school age staff and K-3 teachers. Choices of additional interactive break out sessions.

Alaska 211 Now Open!

Alaska now has 211 service - an easy to remember phone number, and a searchable website to connect Alaskans with thousands of social service resources. A trained Information and Referral specialist offers confidential assistance, or search the website yourself by different needs or communities, at www.alaska211.org.

Southeast Families Website

Tell your friends! Tell your families! The Southeast Families website now has exciting new features. Starting with Ketchikan, Sitka, Wrangell, Petersburg, and Juneau, each community has a calendar of events and activities for young children, thanks to our hard working early childhood liaisons. If you aren't sure who they are - click on your community and find their photos and contact information. There is a link to a list serve for parents in Juneau, which could be added for other communities as well. Take a look, and send in comments and ideas for what you would like to add for your community.

Are You Ready for E-Learning?

Take the on-line quiz to see if the new Alaska Based Child Development modules are an exciting, flexible, and fun way to quench your thirst for knowledge, connect with early childhood friends, and achieve training when it fits best in your day. Go to the www.aeyc-sea.org website and click on training, or go directly there to www.abcdalaska.org. There are five modules starting October 1st. Including the new "Orientation to School Age Care," developed with assistance from the RALLY management team.

Fingerprint Fridays

The AEYC office provides free fingerprint service on a drop-in basis every Friday from 9-3pm, for anyone working in a licensed child care.

Child Care Licensing specialists can provide fingerprinting during visits to SE Communities. Call 888-268-4632 for info about local fingerprint services.

Alaska In! -Supporting Children with Special Needs

Do you care for a child with special needs? If their family is using childcare assistance they may qualify for the Alaska In! referral & supplement program. Contact our office to receive an application packet and more information.



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AEYC-SEA Training Calendar, September-October 2007

CDA Study Group

2nd Saturdays - Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10
9-11 am at AEYC

Make this the year you earn your CDA! On the 2nd Saturday of every month, beginning in September, you are invited to learn about the CDA process and Competency Goal Areas, work on your Resource File, and earn training hours, all in a supportive and fun atmosphere. Call if you are interested in tele-study.

Family Child Care Study Group

2nd Saturdays - Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10
12-2 at AEYC

Come and meet other family child care providers, network and share program ideas while learning about the standards and requirements to get your program accredited through the National Association for Family Child Care. You do not have to be seeking accreditation to attend. We invite all family child care providers to participate. Call to arrange distance option.

Networking & Nurture Nights in Juneau

Third Thursday Networking Evenings
6:30 -8:30 pm at AEYC

Come get together with other early childhood folks from all our diverse settings - preschools, child care centers, family child care, social services, Head Start. Door-prizes will be given to all participants that pre-register! Call 789-1235. Each month features a different topic and guest speaker, along with refreshments.
September 20th Sign Language
October 11th (a week earlier because of Alaska Day on the 18th) Relationship Based Approach to Guidance
November 15th Everyday Ethics

SE Community Trainings

KETCHIKAN: at Brad & Gina Palmer's,
3450 Hawkins, 225-4602

Childcare Environment Ideas

September 12, 6:30-8:00 pm

Community Places to Go & Things to Do with Young Children

October 10, 6:30-8:00 pm

WRANGELL: at the Nolan Center
October 6, 1:00-4:30 pm

Literacy Throughout the Day: Weaving Literacy into the Everyday Lives of Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

Presenter: Susan Bennett-Armistead

KT00 Family Nights

Families share a light supper, view a short PBS video, listen to a special guest reader, and do a fun activity together. Each month explores a different theme.

Juneau: 1st Tuesday of the month

Sept 4 Feelings (at Centennial Hall)

Oct 2 Transportation

Nov 6 Bakery

Dec 4 Mail delivery person

Wrangell:

Sept. - Making Music,

Nov - Our Doctor friends (time tba)

Ketchikan:

Date & time tba

Southeast Overview of Early Care & Education Trainings

Preschool teachers, Head Start staff, family child care, center staff are invited to this interactive and lively training. People new to early childhood education rave about the Overview training, reporting that it helps them feel more aware, more comfortable, and more effective in their work with children and families.

The Overview will be offered in Ketchikan: January 25-26,

Sitka: April 25-26, Juneau: October 19-20, May 16-17

Travel assistance is available for licensed providers coming from Haines, Hoonah, Wrangell, Prince of Wales, Yakutat, Metlakatla, and Petersburg. The 20 training hours apply toward a CDA, as well as licensing. Registration is required so register early! 1-888-785-1235 outside of Juneau, 789-1235 in Juneau.

Infant/Toddler Enrichment Project for Southeast Communities

2nd Tuesdays - Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 13

This 3 month training project includes self observation and reflection, audio conference workshop sessions, and use of specially designed activity kits. Door-prizes will be given to all participants that pre-register. Anyone caring for infants and toddlers is welcome to participate and earn a total of 15 hours of training, starting in September. Space is limited, so call to register as soon as possible. (This project will also be offered face to face in Juneau starting in February.)

UAS Courses, Fall 2007

ECE 101 Introduction to the Early Childhood Profession 3 CR

Egan Wing 113 Mon, Wed 3:30p - 5:00p 8/30 - 12/15

DIST AUDIO Mon, Wed 3:30p - 5:00p 8/30 - 12/15

ECE 111 Nutrition for Young Children 1 CR

DIST AUDIO Thursday 5:10p - 6:40p 9/13 - 10/25

ECE 113 Safe Learning Environment 1 CR

Egan Wing 113 Monday 5:10p - 6:40p 10/29 - 12/10

DIST AUDIO Monday 5:10p - 6:40p 10/29 - 12/10

ECE 114 Effective Learning Environment 1 CR

DIST AUDIO Wednesday 5:10p - 6:40p 10/31 - 12/12

Egan Wing 113 Wednesday 5:10p - 6:40p 10/31 - 12/12

ECE 123 Language and Literature Activities for Young Children 1 CR

Egan Wing 113 Monday 5:10p - 6:40p 9/10 - 10/22

DIST AUDIO Monday 5:10p - 6:40p 9/10 - 10/22

ECE 171 Program Management 1 CR

Hendrickson 205 Tuesday 5:10p - 6:40p 9/4 - 10/16

DIST AUDIO Tuesday 5:10p - 6:40p 9/4 - 10/16

ECE 172 Professional Issues 1 CR

DIST AUDIO Tuesday 5:10p - 6:40p 10/23 - 11/4

Hendrickson 205 Tuesday 5:10p - 6:40p 10/23 - 11/4

ECE 220 Infant and Toddler Care 3 CR

DIST AUDIO Tue, Thu 3:30p - 5:00p 9/6 - 12/15

Hendrickson 205 Tue, Thu 3:30p - 5:00p 9/6 - 12/15

ECE 270 Practicum 3 CR

DIST AUDIO Friday 3:30p - 5:00p 9/7 - 12/7

Hendrickson 205 Friday 3:30p - 5:00p 9/7 - 12/7

For more information or to register, call: (907) 465-6458 or view the entire Fall 2007 schedule at: <http://www.uas.alaska.edu/schedule/fall07/index.html>.

Alaska One Broadcasts Sunday Mornings

Tune in to 'A Place Of Our Own' every Sunday morning at 10:30am. Every week a new topic is covered, to view the schedule, log on to <http://www.ktoo.org/tvschedule.cfm>.

Earn licensing credit by watching the program and writing a one page summary of the broadcast Include three ideas you already use in your program, and three new ideas from the broadcast you plan to incorporate. Send your summary to AEYC to receive a certificate, or complete your choice of activity sheets in the downloadable workbook.

Nutrition Training at Your Kitchen Table

The Child Care Food Program has developed a training in the form of a quiz, covering nutrition and requirements of the USDA child care food program. This is required for all family child care programs participating in CCFP, and available as an option for center and Head Start programs.

First Aid Classes

In addition to local resources Red Cross offers first aid classes in Ketchikan, Craig, Wrangell, and Juneau. To sign up for American Red Cross CPR and First Aid Training, please call the Juneau office at 907-463-5713.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required. To look for future classes in your area check at www.alaska.redcross.org