

Smart Start of Forsyth County Trainings

Unless stated otherwise, all classes will be held at the Smart Start of Forsyth County Training Room.

To register, please call the Training Line at 336-714-4368 or email patm@smartstart-fc.org

November (please call to register for November classes beginning on October 24, 2011).

Wee Music: A Big Book Affair

Date: November 5, 2011 (Saturday)

Time: 8:30-12:30 am

Presenter: Dr. Donna Wiggins

This exciting and engaging workshop will show how music can enhance and enrich the literacy experience for early learners. Participants will engage in singing, literacy, and movement activities that they can share in their classrooms and home centers. Participants will create a big book as well as preview beautiful Big Books from the trainer's abundant collection. Come out and join in the learning fun!

Discipline with Benefits

Date: November 7, 2011 (Monday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Marjorie Burris

Discipline comes from the word disciple and means to teach. In this workshop, we will investigate the many benefits that come with discipline. We will also look at the differences between discipline and punishment.

The Learning Styles of Children and Their Impact on How Children Learn

Date: November 8, 2011 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Martine Powell

There are basically three different learning styles. When can you start to identify young children's learning styles? How can you teach to their styles? Can learning styles of young children impact how they learn? Come and join in the learning and discussion of the various learning styles of young children.

Enhancing the Self Esteem of Young Children

Date: November 9, 2011 (Wednesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Gwen Walter

This workshop emphasizes strategies and techniques to use in the classroom to enhance the self-esteem of young children. Video presentation and handouts are included. Come out and join us as we learn and share new strategies.

Who Am I? Why Am I Here? Going From Good to Great!

Date: November 10, 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Lesha Workman

We are all great in our own way, but do we bring all of what we have to the classroom or early childhood settings? Participants will explore strategies to maximize their own potential in their work.

Playground Safety

Date: November 14, 2011 (Monday)

Time: 5:00-9:00 pm

Presenter: Karatha Scott

This training will cover all the state required procedures and regulations to operate a safe and healthy outdoor play environment.

Planning Lessons and Activities

Date: November 15, 2011 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Jennifer Byers

Have you been struggling with lesson planning? Do you want to create lesson plans that are relevant, interesting and meaningful for children? Would you like some fresh approaches and strategies to do so? Then this might be just the workshop for you. Come and join us in this learning experience!

ITS SIDS

Date: November 29, 2011 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Rodd Smith

A professional from Baby Love Plus, a program that is sponsored by the Forsyth County Health Department, will discuss the importance of being prepared for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). Participants will receive information about preventive measures that should be taken when caring for young children.

Cross Cultural Instruction in Early Childhood Education

Date: November 19, 2011

Time: 8:30-12:30 pm (Saturday)

Presenter: Romy Allen

Our changing World brings children from all types of backgrounds and cultures into our early learning environments. Are you prepared to teach young children different than you? Can you provide meaningful, relevant experiences they need to be successful on the next level? Does success mean the same for you as it does for that child's family? This session will explore those questions and assist you in preparing to teach young children from diverse backgrounds.

What's in a Behavior?

Date: November 22, 2011 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Stephanie Frazier

Students exhibit various behaviors throughout their developmental stages. As an early childhood provider you want to be sure that you have an understanding of what typical and atypical behavior is for the children you teach. This workshop is designed to teach you about various atypical behaviors that children might engage in and how you can help them make accommodations in the classroom.

December (please call to register for December classes beginning on November 28, 2011)

Teacher Portfolios: The Tools of Professionals

Date: December 1, 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Teachers often think about creating portfolios for children but seldom consider making portfolios for themselves. This workshop will provide teachers with the materials for beginning Teacher Portfolios, the tools of professionals. Teachers will learn how to showcase their skills. Come join us for these engaging, hands-on workshop.

A Stitch in Time: Mastering Time Management

Date: December 6, 2011 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Martine Powell

It's been said that poor time management can be a source of stress. This workshop will help us learn new skills for making the best use of our time while alleviating stress and becoming masters of our time management. Come and join in the learning fun!

Handling Stress During the Holidays

Date: December 7, 2011 (Wednesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Gwen Walter

Do the children in your classroom display more aggressive and impulsive behaviors around the holiday season? Do you find yourself using more negative statements? Learn some strategies to help prevent "classroom chaos" prior to the holidays.

The Spirited Child

Date: December 12, 2011 (Monday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Marjorie Burris

Participants will learn how to understand the Spirited Child. In addition, participants will learn strategies that will enable them to work well with the spirited child in supportive ways that help enable the spirited child to cooperatively participate in the classroom.

Early Learning Tools for Infants and Toddlers

Date: December 15, 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Jennifer Byers

Infants and toddlers learn through human interaction, visual stimulation and play. From the day a baby is born, he begins his journey of learning. Using infant learning tools that incorporate various colors, textures, sounds, and movements can encourage young infants to learn and develop social, language, and cognitive skills as well as, in later infant stages, concept development. Come learn what research has to say and tools to ensure you include in your classroom.

Dental Health for Preschoolers

Date: December 15, 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Deborah Massenburg

This is a very informative workshop that all early child care providers should attend. The instructor will show how dental hygiene can play an active role in a child's daily routine and behavior. The information given can be applied in the centers or even passed along to parents to be used in homes. Good oral health plays a major role in a child's well being. Come out and see!

January (please call to register for January classes beginning on December 27, 2011).

Observation & Assessment: What's the Point?

Date: January 7, 2012 (Saturday)

Time: 8:30-12:30 pm

Presenter: Romy Allen

Have you ever wondered why your children may not be responding to your teaching in the early education setting? Do you feel there is something missing in the learning process? Observing your little folk closer and assessing their needs individually provide critical information when designing programs and instructing young children in the classroom from infants to pre-k.

Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: Developing Self Esteem in Young Children

Date: January 10, 2012 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Martine Powell

Young children see themselves through the eyes of their teachers, parents and other significant adults. What do children see in the mirror of your eyes? Do they see that they are lovable or likable and capable? Do they see that they are important and full of promise? In this workshop, we will look at what it takes to build good self esteem in young children.

Teacheread is for Kindergarten Too!

Date: January 10 & 17, 2012 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Marjorie Burris

Have you been looking for fresh ideas to entice your kindergarten and preschoolers to the book corner? Do you want them to develop a love of reading and increase their interest in books? Then come and join us in these sessions as we explore and discover fresh ideas to generate excitement for young readers as they explore great books. You must be present for both sessions to receive your contact hours.

Math and Science in the Classroom

Date: January 11, 2012

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm (Wednesday)

Presenter: Gwen Walter

Would you like to include Math and Science in all areas of your curriculum? Come out and join us for an exciting evening which will include many hands on learning activities and ways to include Math and Science everyday in your classroom.

Finding the Harmony in the Early Childhood Setting

Date: January 12, 2012 (Thursday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Lesha Workman

In this workshop participants will explore different personality types, trends in generations and characteristics that hinder our work with each other and with children. Based on the information that we gather about ourselves and others, participants will begin to explore variations of how to better communicate and effectively work with those, who are not like us.

Identifying Children with Special Needs

Date: January 12, 2012 (Thursday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Jennifer Byers

All children are special and have unique needs! This workshop will focus on the development of young children and criteria to help providers identify children with possible delays. Participants will obtain information that will assist in determining if a child (ren) would potentially need intervention. They will also be provided several tips to facilitate talking with parents about concerns they may have.

Playground Safety

Date: January 21, 2012 (Saturday)

Time: 8:30-12:30 pm

Presenter: Karatha Scott

This training will cover all the state required procedures and regulations to operate a safe and healthy outdoor play environment.

Beginnings in Literacy

Date: January 24, 2012 (Tuesday)

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Presenter: Stephanie Frazier

This workshop is designed to discuss the stages of literacy development in children. It's important to remember that acquiring the skills to become a great reader begin at birth. This workshop will provide you with tools and insight on how to nurture a child's development in the area of literacy.

Work Family Resource Center Trainings

Unless stated otherwise, all classes will be held at WFRC, 530 N. Spring St.

To register, please call 336-761-5100.

Food, Fitness and Fabulous Fun

November 2nd 6:00-8:00 \$5.00

Presenter: Cherie White, Provider Specialist

Healthy food equals healthy children. Food provides the building blocks for a strong and healthy body and the energy your child needs to play learn and grow. During this workshop we will explore topics such as: diet, nutrition, exercise and ways that you can set a positive example through the food that you serve and physical activities that you offer to the children.

Jump Start your Day with Active Physical Play

November 30th 6:00-8:00 \$5.00

Presenter: Cherie White, Provider Specialist

Active play is an essential developmental experience for every child. Come and learn indoor gross motor activities that you can take back to your program for those cold and rainy days. This interactive workshop will overview what DCD requires for gross motor time as well as give tips on how you can set a good example for the children and families that you serve.

Developing Your Family Child Care Business

Every Saturday starting Feb. 18, 2012 \$65.00

Presenter: Betty Nelums, Provider Specialist

This program guides you through a business planning process designed especially for family child care business owners. Through guided facilitation, in-session and out-of-session activities, guest speakers, resource recommendations, and interaction with other participants in this program, you will be mak

ing strategic decisions about your business. Two documents you will produce as a result of this business planning program are a Business Plan and a Parent Handbook. The family child care provider will receive a participant manual titled, Developing Your Family Child Care Business by: Ewing Marion Kauffman. 30 hours

So Many Approaches to Learning! Planning for Individual Needs of Infants and Toddlers

Nov. 1 & 15, 2011 12:00pm-2:30pm \$25.00

Presenter: Stephanie Granek, Infant Toddler Education Specialist

Come explore the many different ways infants and toddlers approach learning and what you can do to increase your effectiveness as a teacher. You will learn strategies for observing and recording behavior that you can use to increase your understanding of each child's development and think about next steps. You will also learn why planning is an important part of being an excellent infant/toddler teacher, and how you can create plans that support the individual needs of each child in your care. (5 contact hours and .5 CEU upon completion)

Child Care Services Association 828-528-1598

On-line registration is available @ <http://www.childcarereservices.org/ps/training.html>

Family Child Care Pre- Licensing Workshop

November 8, 2011 9:00 am- 2:00 pm \$40.00

Presenter: Betty Nelums, Provider Specialist

This one-day workshop is a comprehensive review of the North Carolina Family Child Care Home rules and regulations, and will be helpful to those who are planning to operate a Family Child Care Home. This workshop will focus on family child care home licensing information, region specific zoning and sanitation requirements and give detailed information regarding program start-up and operations as they relate to budgeting for quality family child homes. Fee includes Family Child Care Handbook. Two or more persons attending together who wish to share a handbook can attend for an additional \$15.00 per person.

CPR and First Aid

Location: Forsyth Co. Emergency Services Bldg 911 East 5th Street, W/S, NC 27101

December 3, 2011 8:00 am – 1:00 pm \$65.00

Presenter; Dan Ozmek

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification and First Aid Certification are required certifications for every family child care provider and recommended for most child care center staff. After completing this session, participants should be able to conduct both CPR and First Aid techniques on infants, children and adults.