





SOUTHERN CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN

Nessmith-Lane Conference Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA

* ENJOY THE OPENING PRESENTATION!

Effective Play: Foundations for Planning Developmentally Appropriate Lessons in Birth-5 Classrooms

Featuring...DR. BISA BATTEN LEWIS
Founder & Managing Partner, Ideal Early Learning, LLC,
Tyrone, GA

SPONSORED BY School of Human Ecology, College of Health and Human Sciences and The Division of Continuing Education at Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Childcare Center Directors and Personnel
- Pre-School, Pre-K, Kindergarten Teachers & Parapros
- Family Child Care Providers
- School Age Child Care Providers
- Parents of Young Children

REGISTER EARLY! * 6 hours of training!

Find full conference details on the website at ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/scoc.html

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Saturday, January 26, 2013

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OVERVIEW

This one-day conference will provide you with valuable information on current child-related topics. Leaders in family and child studies, early childhood education, and professionals in related fields will identify and discuss trends and techniques for working with young children. Included are special sessions designed for center directors.

CREDITS

Certificates for attendance will be awarded for 6.0 hours of participation. Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Child Care Services recognizes this conference for updating staff training requirements. Record of attendance will be handed out at the end of each session attended.

BENEFITS OF ATTENDING

- Obtain resource information and ideas that you can take back to the job and to your own home.
- Meet and talk with other professionals.
- Increase professional commitment to the improvement of child care quality.
- · Enjoy exhibits.

FEES, CANCELLATIONS, REFUNDS

- \$50 if payment is received on or before January 11, 2013 at 5 p.m.
- \$60 if payment is received after January 11, 2013 at 5 p.m.
- \$70 at the door registration or if payment not received by 5 p.m. on January 26, 2013
- * The fee includes conference sessions and materials, continental breakfast, lunch, and certificate. Cancellation requests should be received by 5 p.m., January 19, 2013. A \$10 processing fee will be charged to process all cancellations. Substitutions are encouraged. Absolutely no refunds will be made after the conference.

ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER THE CONFERENCE.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Baymont Inn & Suites 425 South Main Street Statesboro, GA 30458 912.489.7368

Room Rate: \$59 per night for a single or double

Room Reservation Cut Off Date: December 25, 2012 Cancellations must be made one day prior to arrival to avoid charge of one night.

A block of rooms has been reserved for January 26, 2013. Please be sure to mention that you are attending the Southern Conference on Children. The hotel rates will apply until December 25, 2012. After that date, the regular hotel rates will apply based on availability.

DIRECTIONS

The Nessmith-Lane Conference Center is located at the corner of Plant Drive and Chandler Road on the campus of Georgia Southern University. Chandler Road is accessed from Hwy.67/Fair Road. Exit 127 off Interstate 16. Turn left onto Chandler Road. Turn right at the third traffic light at Plant Drive. The parking lot is accessed from Plant Drive. Please park in any lot adjacent to the conference site.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26 • CONFERENCE SCHEDULE



7:30 AM - 8:30 AM 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM REGISTRATION, EXHIBITS AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WELCOME AND OPENING PRESENTATION

EFFECTIVE PLAY: FOUNDATIONS FOR PLANNING DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE LESSONS IN BIRTH-5 CLASSROOMS

DR. BISA BATTEN LEWIS, Founder & Managing Partner, Ideal Early Learning, LLC, Tyrone, GA

Early educators are repeatedly told to let children play to learn. How can children play and be prepared for kindergarten at the same time? Participants in this session will learn innovative methods for planning daily activities that strongly foster development of infant's and children's physical, social-emotional, language-literacy, and cognitive skills, based on theories of play. Get out of your own way by learning how to incorporate effective play!

Need Registration Assistance?

Call Linda Tyler at 912.478.5551
If you live outside our immediate area,
use 1.877.478.5551 (free long-distance
line) • (FAX 912.478.0847)

Need Conference Information? Call S. Marie Williams at 912.478.2260 marieawilliams @georgiasouthern.edu or

Megan Murray at 912.478.1761 meganmurray@georgiasouthern.edu

* NEW THIS YEAR ADVANCED TRAINING

ALL DAY WORKSHOP 9:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. • 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

(IF YOU TAKE THIS WORKSHOP • YOU DO NOT NEED TO CHOOSE OTHER SESSIONS)

DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE PRACTICES IN ACTION

This hands-on, interactive workshop has been designed to assist child care providers in increasing the understanding of how developmentally appropriate practice directly affects the learning environment.

Melissa Lovett, M. Ed., Child Care Resource and Referral Agency of Southeast Georgia,

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MAKING LEARNING CENTERS COUNT

Learn practical methods for maximizing knowledge and skills of infants and children in preschool by incorporating curriculum goals in learning centers. Dr. Bisa Batten Lewis, Founder & Managing Partner, Ideal Early Learning, LLC, Tyrone, GA

PROPPING-UP STORY TIME

Learn how to make language and literacy in the classroom the favorite part of a child's day using puppets, flannel boards and a variety of other props. Beverly Campbell, Pre-K Teacher, Bulloch Academy, Statesboro, GA

EXPLORING NATURE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Learn how to provide fun and educational outdoor experiences with your little ones! During this active, hands-on session, you will discover the intellectual, health, and social benefits that exploring nature can provide for both you and your children as well as how to plan safe and stimulating nature excursions. Gail Westcot, Mary Kahrs Warnell Forest Education Center, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources, The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

ANTI-BIAS AND MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION IN EARLY LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

This session will assist early care providers in better understanding bias and other issues regarding diversity in the early childhood environment. It will also provide teachers with teaching ideas, activities and a list of resources for diversity and anti-bias education.

Dr. Raynice Jean-Sigur, Associate Professor, Early Childhood Education, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA

TEACHING DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES TO CHILDREN WITH AUTISM

More children under the age of 3 are being diagnosed with autism than ever before. The purpose of this workshop is to promote excellence in early childhood education by providing a framework for best practices. During this workshop, attendees will learn how to develop activities that are stimulating and developmentally appropriate for autistic learners.

Maranda Porter, MS/P, Outreach Coordinator/Behavior Consultant, The Matthew Reardon Center/Advance Academy, Savannah, GA

HANDS-ON SCIENCE IN THE PRE-K CLASSROOM

This workshop will explore the simplification of science in the classroom. Participants will have experience with the pull of magnets, learn about color mixing and perception, and explore the art of bubbles.

Roxanne Keele, M.Ed., Territory Manager, North Florida/Southern Georgia, Kaplan Early Learning Company, Fernandina Beach, FL

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IN THE WORKPLACE: IT COMES WITH PRACTICE

In this interactive session, individuals will learn about their communication style and identify fun ways to increase team building, reduce stress, and communicate in the workplace. Bring your questions and let's create a more positive way to communicate at your work environment!

Janet Scott, Bulloch County SA Out Patient Services, Counselor, Pineland CSB, Statesboro, GA

EAT HEALTHY, BE ACTIVE: TEACHING NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY TO PRESCHOOLERS AND FAMILIES

Come explore activities from the Eat Healthy, Be Active curriculum, which provides developmentally appropriate activities to teach nutrition and physical activity to 3- to 5-year-olds.

Diane W. Bales, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Child and Family Development, Human Development Specialist, Cooperative Extension, The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS 1:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. • 3 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

MAKE DRAMATIC PLAY MORE THAN HOME LIVING

Participants will learn creative ways to change dramatic play to correspond with planned themes and activities to enhance childrens' learning and development.

Dr. Alice Hall, Associate Professor, School of Human Ecology, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA

RESPONDING AND WORKING WITH DIVERSE FAMILIES OF YOUNG CHILDREN WHO HAVE CHRONIC ILLNESSES

This session will present how stress can affect children with medical needs, how culture affects families who may experience hospitalization, chronic illnesses and treatment and conclude with methods of working with diverse families who may experience chronic illness and medical needs.

Dr. Raynice Jean-Sigur, Associate Professor, Early Childhood Education, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA

BETTER BRAINS FOR BABIES: THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR'S ROLE IN SUPPORTING EARLY BRAIN DEVELOPMENT, MAINTAINING CONSISTENCY, AND REDUCING YOUNG CHILDREN'S STRESS

Are you wondering how to help ensure healthy brain development? This workshop will cover the basics of brain development, and will give you tips for supporting young children's development by keeping their world consistent and predictable, reducing toxic stress, and helping them learn how to manage stressful situations. We'll review key concepts using fun, interactive activities. Diane W. Bales, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Child and Family Development, Human Development Specialist, Cooperative Extension, The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

ADVENTURES IN THE LIFE OF A YOUNG ARTIST

This hands-on workshop will give you a brief look at the amazing artistry of Wang Yani. Participants will create a painting with rice paper, bamboo brushes, and ink, and then a fast chop, which is Yani's signature. You will learn how you can bring this artist's work to life in your classroom and encourage each child's inner artist!

Nancy Daniel, Retired Art Teacher, Statesboro, GA

CHILDHOOD NUTRITION - HEALTHY MEALS AND SNACKS

This presentation will focus on the causes and associated health problems of childhood obesity, nutrient requirements of children during different stages of life (preschool, elementary, middle, and high school), and planning age-appropriate healthy meals and snacks to optimize health among children. Practical tips on food preparation including healthy meal and snack ideas and recipes will be provided.

Dr. Padmini Shankar, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA

AUTISM AND BASIC TEACHING STRATEGIES

Autism occurs in 1 out of every 88 children. Early intervention is critical, so the warning signs and what to look for will be discussed. A brief overview of Applied Behavior Analysis therapy will be given in addition to learning some of the basic principles and teaching strategies that are applied in educating young children with autism. Strategies that will be modeled and/or discussed are: using reinforcement, incidental teaching, prompting procedures, shaping, play/social skills training and promoting language acquisition.

Julie Harris, Board Certified Behavior Analyst, May Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders, Savannah/Fort Stewart, GA

THE BENEFITS OF MEDICAL PLAY WITH PRESCHOOLERS: REDUCING FEARS AND INCREASING KNOWLEDGE AND COPING (ONLY OFFERED AT 1:30 p.m.)

Medical play can be introduced by preschool teachers to familiarize children with medical equipment and procedures so that they are more informed and not as fearful of going to the doctor. Participants will learn how to implement a number of developmentally appropriate medical play activities to use in the classroom, such as setting up a teddy bear clinic and art activities.

Dr. Jerri Kropp, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro GA

BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES TO USE EVERYDAY

(ONLY OFFERED AT 3 p.m.)

Gain positive and proactive ways for early childhood educators to handle challenging behaviors in the classroom. Utilize scripts for managing behavior through your responses rather than reaction and concrete strategies for dealing with challenging behavior without disturbing the rest of the class. Candace lavarone, Director, Child Development Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA

INCLUSION AND QUALITY RATED PROGRAMS (ONLY OFFERED AT 1:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. DOUBLE SESSION)

Programs interested or going through the Tier Quality Rating System will have the opportunity to gain evidence of required training on inclusion (Module 1: Count Me In: Including All Children), obtain samples on written policies for inclusion, as well as be informed on screening tool(s) for parent conferencing. Southeast Georgia Inclusion Team, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA

REGISTRATION REQUEST • 26th Annual Southern Conference on Children, Saturday, January 26, 2013

Please complete this registration form and feel free to duplicate this form and provide one form for each person registering.

* PLEASE NOTE: Each person will be attending the opening presentation with Dr. Bisa Batten Lewis in the morning from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

ALL DAY WORKSHOP

at 9:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

CHOOSE THIS ALL DAY WORKSHOP.

IF YOU PLACE A **CHECK** BY THIS ALL DAY WORKSHOP YOU WILL ATTEND ONLY THIS WORKSHOP. PLEASE **DO NOT** SELECT ANY OTHER SESSIONS.

← ADVANCED TRACK TRAINING (ALL DAY MORNING & AFTERNOON)

MORNING WORKSHOPS

at 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

CHOOSE YOUR MORNING WORKSHOPS.

PLACE THE <u>NUMBER 1</u> BY YOUR FIRST CHOICE, THE <u>NUMBER 2</u> BY YOUR SECOND CHOICE, THE <u>NUMBER 3</u> BY YOUR THIRD CHOICE AND THE <u>NUMBER 4</u> BY YOUR FOURTH CHOICE. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO PUT YOU IN YOUR FIRST <u>TWO</u> CHOICES.

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NOTE: Space in this program fills quickly. If you have not enrolled within 48 hours prior to the program, please call 912.478.5551 to confirm available space.

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1. SELECT THE APPROPRIATE FEE.

(PLEASE NOTE, PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEADLINE DATE INDICATED OR YOU WILL BE BILLED FOR THE BALANCE)

O \$50 if payment is received on or before January 11 at 5 p.m.

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O \$70 at the door registration

2. COMPLETE THE ALL THE INFORMATION BELOW

NAME: CLEARLY PRINT YOUR NAME AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR CERTIFICATE

JOB TITLE/PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT:

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT:

O HOME ADDRESS or O WORK ADDRESS (PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX)

ADDRESS:

CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE:

DAYTIME TELEPHONE: FAX:

E-MAIL ADDRESS: We will e-mail registration confirmation

3. SELECT THE PAYMENT METHOD

(MONEY ORDER, CHECK, PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER, OR CREDIT CARD)

O Money Order

O A check is enclosed (payable to Georgia Southern University)

O Payment is being processed (a purchase order number is enclosed)

CREDIT CARD: O VISA

O MASTERCARD

O AMEX

SELECT: O PERSONAL O CORPORATE

VISA, MASTERCARD OR AMEX NUMBER:

EXPIRATION DATE:

SECURITY CODE:

PRINT NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD:

MAIL TO: Registrations/Southern Conference on Children Georgia Southern University, P.O. Box 8124, Statesboro, GA 30460-8124

EASY WAYS TO REGISTER! Phone 912.478.5551, Fax 912.478.0847, By Mail or on the website!

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