Grenloch Terrace Early Childhood Center Home and School Council is hosting a *free* Early Childhood Workshop entitled: 'Kindred Spirits'



Tuesday, April 14, 2015 Grenloch Terrace Early Childhood Center Washington Township Public Schools A Workshop for:

Primary Educators that are Classroom Teachers, Basic Skills Teachers, Special Education Teachers, Speech Therapists, Reading Specialists Supervisors, Student Teachers, and Administrators

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Welcome to our Early Childhood Educator Workshop entitled *Kindred Spirits*, sponsored by our Home and School Council.

Early childhood educators share a *kindred spirit;* we all have a special calling or gift to work with students in the primary grades.

As educators of young children, we value the importance of both challenging and supporting our young learners as they begin their educational journey.

Thank you for taking the time to attend and I hope you find the information helpful and our atmosphere welcoming. Our goal is to establish a network of early childhood educators, kindred spirits if you will, to support each other as we continue to work together to implement best practices in early childhood education!

We look forward to building new friendships with others who are dedicated to educating our youngest learners!

Sincerely,

Wendy Crawford

Principal and Event Coordinator

Information

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2015

Place: Grenloch Terrace Early Childhood Center

Fee: FREE

Agenda:

- 4:30-6:00 GTECC's Home and School Council will be sponsoring light refreshments available for fundraising purposes
- 6:00 6:45 Session 1
- 7:00 7:45 Session 2

Registration Deadline: Monday, April 6, 2015

Registration available via :

- Typeform <u>https</u>://gtecc.typeform.com/to/Llx58F
- Email: <u>KLipinksi@</u>wtps.org
- Mail: Grenloch Terrace Early Childhood Center Att. Laurie Chranowski 251 Woodbury—Turnersville Road Sewell, NJ 08080

* Please complete the registration form on the following page for email and mail registration.

The following workshops will be offered twice unless otherwise indicated:

1. What Writing Looks Like In Kindergarten - Room #7 Katy Martin and Jennifer Natale

Make writing fun in your classroom! This workshop will provide strategies to keep students engaged while meeting Common Core Standards for writing in Kindergarten. Teachers will also explore the three types of writing (personal narrative, expository, and opinion), and discuss ways to incorporate each into instruction.

2.Math in Action! Movement Activities and Learning Centers/Games - Room #22 Sandy Peloso and Angela Otto

This workshop will provide developmentally appropriate and engaging math activities/games. Participants will leave with practical ideas and strategies to take back to the classroom to use immediately.

3.Understanding the Reading Common Core Standards in Your Kindergarten Classroom through the Implementation of Best Practices - Room #5 *Carin Cooper and Maria Rygalski*

This workshop is intended to provide its participants with a common understanding of how the Reading Common Core Standards can easily be integrated into your classroom's literacy instruction during shared reading, guided reading, read aloud and other best practices that are utilized daily in a kindergarten classroom.

4. Refer or Defer– Kindergarten Speech and Language Skills - GTECC Library

Constance Meeks and Maureen Creran

Roundtable discussion centering on audiences' concerns & questions pertaining to Kindergarten students' communication skills. Slides and handouts will be available detailing typical and atypical speech and language development in five and six year olds along with articulation skills, the referral process and service and delivery methods.

5.Positive & Practical Classroom Management: Positive Discipline for the Early Learner - Room #19 Dori Millisky and Kim Longfellow

This workshop will address positive behavior strategies and supports to be used in the classroom, and to be shared with parents and caregivers. Some of the topics will include smooth transitions, use of visual schedules, classroom behavior management systems, and relaxation techniques.

6.Preschool Speech Therapy Eligibility and Treatment Decisions - Room #15

Jessica Penza, Tiffany Giordano, and Michelle Murray

This workshop will teach you the eligibility criteria for the preschool disabled program and, once eligible, how treatment, goals, frequency, duration and location for treatment is determined.

7.Personal Space and Self-Control - Room # 6 Lauren Krupa

I will be sharing my classroom guidance lesson on Personal Space and Self-Control that I use as my first kindergarten lesson. It involves showing the children appropriate personal space using a hula hoop and using bubbles to teach self-control. "Mrs. Krupa's Bubble Challenge" where I blow bubbles for the kids and ask them to practice self-control by not popping the bubbles will be demonstrated!

8.What are Realistic Classroom Expectations for my ELLS? (English Language Learners) - Room # 17 *Donetta L. Beatty*

By the end of this presentation, you will have an understanding of what six stages of English language development look like for ELLs and what you can realistically expect from them in your class at each of these levels.

REGISTER ME FOR:

Name:

Grade Level/Position:

School District:

Contact Telephone:

E-Mail Address:

I would like to attend the following Workshops:

(Please place the workshop number of your choice on the space provided)

Session #1(6:00 - 6:45)_____

Session #2 (7:00 - 7:45)_____

*Please only return this form if you are registering by mail, if you register online and via email, please keep for your records.



Thank you for registering for our Early Childhood Educator Workshop: 'Kindred Spirits'

We are looking forward to providing you with an opportunity to enrich your knowledge of current educational topics for primary students.

Thank you for your dedication!

"It takes a big heart to shape little minds"

