

Douglas County Child Development Association  
invites you to attend our  
21st Annual Mini-conference

# Touching Tomorrow Today



**Saturday, February 18, 2012**  
**9:00 AM - 12:45 PM**  
**Plymouth Congregational Church**  
**925 Vermont Street**  
**Lawrence, Kansas 66044**  
*Registration begins at 8:30 AM*  
*Welcome at 9:00 AM*

## **SESSION I: 9:15 - 10:15 AM**

### **➤SmART Moves: Drama**

*Amanda Clark, Theater Instructor, Lawrence Arts Center*

Learn new creative ways to incorporate drama into the preschool classroom, using a variety of active techniques and lesson plans. Drama in the classroom helps students learn with their whole bodies, promotes active expression, language acquisition and helps children understand the world on their own terms.

*KDHE approved*

*Content Area: II – Learning Environment and Curriculum - Level 2*

### **➤A Recipe for Happy, Healthy Children**

*Lynn Marotz, Ph.D., RN - Retired Early Childhood KU professor*

Learn to fight childhood obesity on two fronts - healthy food choices for children and daily physical activity. Participants will learn about basic nutrients and strategies for promoting children's healthy development by making sound decisions about foods served in classrooms and incorporating more physical activity into daily routines.

*KDHE approved*

*Pending CACFP approval*

*Content Area: V – Health, Safety, and Nutrition - Level 3*

### **➤Milestones in Child Development**

*Gayle Anderson, PAT Coordinator, Parents as Teachers*

Learn milestones in language, motor, cognitive and social emotional domains for young children at various ages. Participants will leave more aware of key milestones, red flags, and with note cards of ideas.

*KDHE approved*

*Content Area: I – Child Growth and Development - Level 1*

## SESSION II: 10:25 - 11:25 AM

### ➤SmART Moves: Dance

Ashley Boyack, Theater Instructor, Lawrence Arts Center

Using literature as a spring board this course will explore ideas, such as rhyming words, locomotion through space, patterning and inventing. Help children enjoy the gift of movement while exploring their world through appropriate age level material.

*KDHE approved*

*Content Area: II – Learning Environment and Curriculum - Level 1*

### ➤Infant/Toddler Spring Them Activities

Rebecca Kramer, Owner, Rebecca's Schoolhouse

Learn how to engage infants and toddlers with literacy based themes during circle time, math & science centers, dramatic play, writing and art.

*KDHE approved*

*Content Area: II – Learning Environment and Curriculum - Level 3*

### ➤Active Play

Lisa Zwiener, Claims Specialist, DCCDA

Obtain an understanding of the need for physical activity in children. Learn fundamental movement skills for different age groups. Gain an understanding of safety measures with equipment and materials used in play. Come explore fun, structured activities to get your kids moving!

*KDHE approved*

*CACFP approved*

*Content Area: V - Health, Safety, and Nutrition - Level 1*

## SESSION III: 11:35 AM - 12:35 PM

### ➤Intentional Teaching through Cooperative Learning

Karin Thompson, PBS Classroom Coach, DCCDA

Participants will learn strategies and the importance of incorporating social-emotional teaching in everyday routines utilizing the CSEFEL Pyramid Model for positive behavioral supports.

*KDHE approved*

*Content Area: I – Child Growth and Development - Level 1*

### ➤Healthy Food Story Time

Connie Detweiler, Family Nutrition Program, K-State Research & Extension - Dg. Co.

Engage your children in making healthy food choices with age appropriate storybooks. Participants will receive hands-on food activities aimed at making healthy food choices. Learn how to pair food related storybooks with exercise and movement activities.

*KDHE approved*

*CACFP approved*

*Content Area: II – Learning Environment and Curriculum - Level 3*

### ➤Identifying Hearing Loss in Young Children

Angie Reeder, Audiologist & Assistant Clinical Professor, Schiefelbusch Clinic

Information will be provided regarding the identification of childhood hearing loss in infants & toddlers. Observational skills needed to identify signs of hearing loss and to recommend hearing testing will be presented.

*KDHE approved*

*Content Area: III – Child Observation and Assessment - Level 2*



**Raffle Drawing**

**12:35 - 12:45 PM**

Immediately following the last session we will meet in the Mayflower room for a raffle drawing. Please plan to attend.

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