



Together We GROW

32nd Annual Early Childhood Conference

Jan. 28th - 29th, 2022

Arrowwood Lodge, Baxter MN



Child Care Aware of MN Northeast

is excited to announce registration is now open!

This year we will focus on Self-Care, Business Basics in the midst of the Pandemic, and Outdoor Fun!

With a Generous Grant from the Initiative Foundation most classes will have a small take away for you to bring back to your programs to enhance what you have learned!

Seating will be limited—so secure your spot soon!

Location



This year's conference will be held at Arrowwood Lodge at Brainerd Lakes. A room block is available until January 3rd; reservations may still be available after this date.

To make Reservations please call (877) 687-5634 or (218) 822-5634 and ask for the room block for the Early Childhood Conference.

www.arrowwoodbrainerdlodge.com

Conference Schedule

Friday Night - Jan. 28th

6:30-8:30 p.m.: Training Session

Saturday - Jan. 29th

7:00-8:00 a.m.: Registration, Shopping, Breakfast Buffet

8:00 - 10:00 a.m.: Morning Breakout

10:00-10:30 a.m.: Morning Break, Vendors

10:30-12:30 p.m.: Mid Morning Breakouts

12:30-1:30 p.m.: Lunch and Vendors

1:30-3:30 p.m.: Afternoon Breakout Out Sessions

Additional Information

Registration includes breakfast, lunch, 6 hours of training (8 hours if attending Friday night), exhibitors and door prize opportunities.

Register by returning the registration form on Page 7. Registration confirmations will not be sent.

Training Hours: Training hours will be recorded in Develop. All attendees must have a Develop ID number to receive training hours. No certificates will be provided.

Child Policy: Please honor our "no children" policy at this conference. Children can be a distraction to yourself and other participants.

Cancellations & Refunds: Any cancellation requests must be in writing and postmarked by January 23rd. A processing fee of \$5.00 will be deducted from all refunds. Email cancellation requests to:

ccapd@pine.edu

Friday Night Sessions

F1. Small Changes, Big Results: Inspiring Ourselves to (Re)Ignite Our Passion

KCF: VI. Professionalism (2 hours)

Trainer: Kristen Wheeler Highland

Ignite or reignite passion for your job. “Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven’t found it yet, keep looking. Don’t settle.”-Steve Jobs. Most self-help books offer the advice “change is most lasting when it is built on small positive habits”. Examine key insights from outstanding books, and what tweaks can be made today to ignite or reignite their passion (in work and life)! Experiment with a variety of tools used to create a personal action plan. Leave with several hands-on tools to use.

Friday Night Open House

If you will be coming Friday night to stay at the Hotel, we will have a room available downstairs for mingling and networking! There is a restaurant onsite if you’d like to bring in takeout and join us for dinner!
Available 6:30-9:00 p.m.



Morning Breakout Sessions:

A1. Creating, Supporting Trauma Sensitive Care: Environments

Trainer: Kristen Wheeler Highland

KCF: I. Child Development and Learning

Discover the affects of trauma on children's developmental trajectories. Review definitions and basic information related to trauma, stress, ACEs and factors affecting children's reactions and responses to trauma. Examine how to create an emotional, and physical environment and structure that supports children who have experienced trauma.

A2. Policies and Practices for Family Child Care Providers

Trainer: First Children's Finance

KCF: VI: Professionalism

Family child care providers will gain a better understanding of the importance of strong policies for your business. You will learn how to create your own policy manual and contract or revise what you have to increase its effectiveness. Finally, you will learn strategies to help with enforcing your policies.

A3. Choosing Gratitude: Living your Life with a Glass 1/2 Full

Trainer: Stacy Boysen

KCF: VI: Professionalism

Discover how choosing gratitude shines a positive perspective on the events and circumstances that take place in your life personally and professionally. Unpack the differences between gratitude and thankfulness and explore how practicing each impacts your own life and the lives of the people you encounter each day.

Late Morning Breakout Sessions:

M1. Having Hard Conversations, The First Steps

Trainer: Kristen Wheeler Highland

KCF: VI: Professionalism

Imagine having a conversation with someone that you don't want to have; a conversation that is hard is nerve wracking. Your inner voice tells you that you need to have the conversation to improve (fill in the blank) but still you dread it, or procrastinate it. Hard conversations are never "not hard," but hard is relative. Understand the process for planning for and handling hard conversations. Hard conversations can be awkward and uncomfortable, but you can learn some tips, tools and language to make them more professional, empathetic and effective.

M2. Precision Pricing for your Family Childcare

Trainer: First Children's Finance

KCF: VI: Professionalism

Explore the current state of child care and the factors that contribute to child care business challenges. Complete a SOAR analysis. Understand the process for pricing your business services. Identify strategies to increase your business acumen.

M3. Ready for Success! Beyond School Readiness

Trainer: Stacy Boysen

KCF: I. Child Development and Learning

Explore the value of play in children's development and learning as they dig deeper into their play using the stages of the learning cycle. Identify the educator's role as you encourage children's excitement for discovery through awareness, exploration, inquiry, and applying their learning to new ideas. Apply the learning cycle to real-life educational experiences that support children's school readiness and life skill development.

Afternoon Session Choices:

P1. Stress, Community Trauma & Compassion Fatigue

Trainer: Kristen Wheeler Highland

KCF: IV. Professionalism

Experiencing stress and uncertainty in ourselves while continuing to do our jobs affects us in both negative and positive ways. Trauma touches everyone. Compassion fatigue, burnout, frustration, emotional exhaustion, and secondary trauma are real and on the rise. Learn to define, and recognize burnout, secondary trauma, and compassion fatigue. Utilize a tool to measure compassion fatigue. Discuss ways to handle and combat compassion fatigue in ourselves and others.

P1. Policies & Practices for Child Care Business Management

Trainer: First Children's Finance

KCF: VI: Professionalism

Learn how to effectively implement policies, procedures and systems that support table program operations. Identify and Examine how to organize and create standard policies and procedure manual for your child care center. This class is geared towards Center Directors.

P3. Follow Nature: Embracing Nature's Wonders in Early Childhood

Trainer: Stacy Boysen

KCF: II.B. Promoting Cognitive Development

Create an early childhood experience that inspires children to engage their sense of wonder. Examine the natural world and learn how it sparks children's curiosity, inspires learning, builds confidence and strengthens social skills. Bring your classroom outdoors and experience the benefits of nature!



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CALL TO REGISTER (800) 890-5399 or (320) 629-5164

Or mail Registration form to:

Child Care Aware of Minnesota—Northeast
900 4th St SE, Pine City, MN 55063

Registration Information:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ - _____

County: _____ FCC or Center: _____

Workshop Selections - Breakout Session seating is limited; register early!
Please select First and Second Choice Options.

Friday Night

____ F1. Small Changes

Saturday

AM Session Choice (First/Second)

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Mid Morning Session Choice (First/Second)

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Afternoon Session Choice (First/Second)

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Select All that apply:

- Friday - \$10.00
 Saturday Individual Rate - ~~\$69.00~~ **ONLY \$35.00!**

With the reduced rate we will not be offering Group Discounts this year.

\$ _____ Total Payment DEVELOP ID# Required: _____

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