

RETREAT BY THE LAKE 2024: The More We Get Together



**26TH ANNUAL
RETREAT BY THE LAKE
JUNE 21 - 22, 2024**

UMPQUA HALL: HEALTH & SCIENCE BUILDING
SOUTHWESTERN OREGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1988 NEWMARK AVE. ~ COOS BAY, OR 97420



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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

2024 Retreat by the Lake = FREE!*

***APPLY FOR ONE OF TWO SCHOLARSHIPS**

- 1.If you qualify, you must apply for the Oregon Family Child Care Scholarship, no later than Friday, May 31, 2024. See Scholarship page for more information, including application link.
- 2.All others (Center directors/staff, program aides, subs, etc.) apply for the South Coast Regional Early Learning Scholarship by selecting the SCREL Scholarship box on registration form.

To register, please fill out Registration and Session Selection Forms, included on the last 2 pages of this packet. Email completed registration forms to jaimee.rice@socc.edu by Friday, June 14, 2024.

Registration and session selection is on a first-come, first-served basis.**

**Priority is given to Coos, Curry & Western Douglas Counties.

Please do not bring children with you to the Retreat by the Lake conference. If you need an exception for an infant in arms, please contact us in advance.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT JAIMEE RICE ~ jaimee.rice@socc.edu or 541-888-7957.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Betty Gray Scholarship

RAN OUT OF FUNDS for 2023-24

Oregon Family Child Care Scholarship

Oregon's Family Child Care Scholarship supports professional development for Oregon's Registered Family and Certified Family Child Care Providers. If you are the Provider named on an Oregon Registered Family or Certified Family Child Care license, you may be eligible for scholarships.

[TO APPLY FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIPS, CLICK HERE.](#)

MUST APPLY BY MAY 31, 2024 for Scholarship to be awarded in time.

Email Scholarship Voucher to jaimee.rice@socc.edu once you receive it. You may register for Retreat sessions after you apply for OFCC, prior to receiving voucher.

South Coast Early Learning Scholarship

Thanks to the generous support of our South Coast Regional Early Learning Hub, early educators that do not qualify for the Oregon Family Child Care Scholarship are eligible to receive a scholarship to attend the 26th Annual Retreat by the Lake: The More We Get Together. Select SCREL scholarship on the registration form.

RETREAT BY THE LAKE 2024:



The More We Get Together

KEYNOTE SPEAKER - Ami Russell

Devoted advocate of play, wonder, inclusion, & care as the path to strong outcomes for children and the adults who love them.



Please join us for our 2024 Retreat by the Lake Keynote:

More Powerful Than We Know:

Impactful Actions and Attitudes for Early Educators

It can be so easy to get caught up in the "what" of teaching: which materials to offer, which curriculum to buy, and how to set up the classroom. While those are important considerations, research (and experience!) shows us that outcomes for children are actually more influenced by what educators **do**. Our daily choices are powerful for the children and families we serve. Let's celebrate what each of us brings to our settings as we intentionally choose impactful attitudes and actions.

SET 1/UGB

Friday, June 21, 2024 ~ 6:30 PM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER ~ AMI RUSSELL

WHERE? Umpqua Hall: Health & Science Building
Southwestern Oregon Community College
1988 Newmark Ave. Coos Bay, OR 97420

WHEN? 6:30 - 8:30 PM

*Doors open at 6PM. Join us for cupcakes & refreshments!



SATURDAY JUNE 22, 2024

SESSION #1 OPTIONS - 2 HOURS

CKS/SET

Responsive Caregiving in Infant/Toddler Programs: The Key to Healthy Development

We will discuss foundational and current theories on secure attachment and examine adult-child interactions that promote and factors that inhibit secure attachment. Participants will identify and practice strategies to create a responsive caregiving program.

Presented by Lupita Nuñez Morales, The Research Institute (TRI)

**HGD
SET 2**

Building Stronger Communities: Enhancing Early Childhood Education through Family Engagement and Support

This presentation will give an overview of how healthy development is influenced by environmental, biological, and social factors, including family and community culture. Participants will learn about the Relief Nursery model as a framework for supporting families. Educators will walk away with strategies for involving diverse families and communities in children's development and learning.

Presented by Kallie Mill, South Coast Relief Nursery

**1 FCS
1 HGD
SET 1**

Partnering with Parents to Develop Advocacy Skills

Participants will gain knowledge and skills in the areas of advocacy, referring to resources, goal setting, and partnering with and working to support families to grow their sense of self-efficacy for sustainable positive change.

Presented by Corinne Potts, South Coast Regional Learning

**FCS
SET 1**

SESSION #2 OPTIONS - 2 HOURS

CKC/SET

Oregon Early Childhood Inclusion: State Efforts to Advance Belonging

Overview of the Oregon Early Childhood Inclusion (OECI) initiative, Pyramid Model implementation at a community level, and the connection to preventing suspension and expulsion.

Presented by Tess Wood, Implementation Support Team Coordinator/Oregon State University
Sindy Abzun, Training Outreach Coordinator/Oregon State University

**PPLD
SET 1**

Creating Positive Connections: Purposeful Preschool Classroom Engagement

Participants will explore evidence-based practices around intentional teacher/child engagement opportunities in the classroom. They will investigate guided learning opportunities to increase intentional interactions and explore data-tracking tools to create an environment that promotes positive connections.

Presented by Erica Hinshaw, CARE Connections & Education/Douglas ESD

**LEC
SET 2**

Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children

Stewards of Children is a nationally acclaimed, evidence-based curriculum from the Darkness to Light organization. Kids' HOPE Center believes that through partnership and education, we can improve the lives of our community's children by learning how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse cases.

Presented by Sarah Bright, Kid's HOPE Center

**HSN
SET 1**

SATURDAY JUNE 22, 2024

SESSION #3 OPTIONS - 1.5 HOURS

CKC/SET

Mirror & Window Books: A Glimpse into Children's Lives & Dreams

Does your classroom library reflect the diversity of the world around? Join Melissa East, B.S. Ed., as she shares why it's important that children experience books that reflect diverse cultures and identities. Participants will learn about the importance of Mirror and Window books while also getting hands-on experience exploring stories that present all kinds of diversity, build empathy and bring awareness of the world around us. Educators will return inspired with tools to make changes to their classroom libraries.

Presented by Melissa East, Barefoot Books

**DIV
SET 1**

Prenatal through Grade 3 (P-3) Alignment In Practice: Strengthening Communities Through Connections

This training will provide an overview of the P-3 framework, best practices from established P-3 sites in the state, and explore emerging models on the South Coast. Participants will dive into how providers and community partners can support P-3 alignment in their communities and build connections to elementary schools. If the group is able/willing, we will take a walk to a special place on campus for a connection building exercise. Participants will come away with tools and strategies to foster relationships with elementary schools, families, cross-sector community partners, and build a strong continuum of support for children from birth through third grade.

Presented by Skaidra Scholey, South Coast Regional Learning Hub

**FCS
SET 1**

Engaging Parents: Enhancing your Program with Community Partners

Learn how teaming up with people in your community can help parents be more involved with your program and the community they live in. We'll share easy ways to work together with community and families, adding collaboration and engagement to your program.

Presented by Charity Grover, South Coast Education Service District

**FCS
SET 1**

SESSION #4 OPTIONS - 1.5 HOURS

CKC/SET

Adventures Await: Igniting Children's Imagination Through Museum Education

This session dives into the creative strategies and tactics museums use to keep little attention spans engaged in a complex learning space. It is for all you educators, parents, and caregivers who want to dive into the exciting world of imaginative learning experiences for kids. Through interactive discussions and hands-on exercises, participants will learn how to design engaging learning opportunities that spark curiosity and exploration in all ages, as well as how to bring museum-inspired activities into classrooms, homes, and community spaces. Whether you're a teacher looking to enhance your curriculum or a parent seeking to enrich your child's playtime, this workshop will equip you with the tools and inspiration to ignite a sense of wonder and adventure in the young learners in your life!

Presented by Sire Wren Pro, Coos History Museum

**LEC
SET 1**

Raise Up Oregon 2.0

This session will cover an overview of Raise Up Oregon 2.0, an early childhood system plan. This plan was developed in partnership with six partner agencies (ODE, DELC, OHA, ODHS, HECC, and OHCS) and the Early Learning Council and outlines objectives, strategies and actions that the six participating agencies have committed to implementing over the next five years. Raise Up Oregon 2.0 covers several areas within the early childhood system including health, education, housing, well-being, and other crucial areas that are important for children and their families.

Presented by David Mandell, Chief of Policy & Research at DELC

**PPLD
SET 1**

Storytime Fun: Tips & Tricks

Make storytime (or circle time) fun with tips and tricks from a librarian. Learn (and share) songs, rhymes, and movement as well as some early literacy rich books that entertain and engage.

Participants will also learn more about what their public library has to offer and how to better access library resources. Come prepared to move, sing and share ideas.

Presented by Jennifer Knight, Youth Services Librarian/Coos Bay Public Library

**LEC
SET 1**

TRAINING GUIDE

Core Knowledge Categories:

- **DIV** - Diversity
- **FCS** - Family & Community Systems
- **HSN** - Health, Safety & Nutrition
- **HGD** - Human Growth & Development
- **LEC** - Learning, Environments & Curriculum
- **OA** - Observation & Assessment
- **PPLD** - Personal, Professional & Leadership Development
- **PM** - Program Management
- **SN** - Special Needs
- **UGB** - Understanding & Guiding Behavior

Training Set Levels:

- **Set 1**- An introductory session about the topic.
- **Set 2** - An intermediate training session that builds on previous knowledge of the subject.
- **Set 3** - An advanced training session, with an in-depth study on the session topic.

The contents of these trainings were developed under a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. However, those contents do not necessarily represent the policy of the U.S. Department of Education, and you should not assume endorsement by the Federal Government.

SATURDAY ~ JUNE 22, 2024

SESSION SELECTION

TIME	Session Selection		
7 - 8 AM	Check-in & Breakfast		
8 - 10 AM	Session #1 - Session Selection		
	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #1A Responsive Caregiving in Infant/Toddler Programs: The Key to Healthy Development Lupita Morales HGD ~ SET 2	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #1B Building Stronger Communities: Enhancing ECE through Family Engagement & Support Kallie Mill 1 FCS/1 HGD ~ SET 1	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #1C Partnering with Parents to Develop Advocacy Skills Corinne Potts FCS ~ SET 1
BREAK	Session #2 - Session Selection		
10:15 - 12:15 PM	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #2A Oregon Early Childhood Inclusion: State Efforts to Advance Belonging Tess Wood Sindy Abzun PPLD ~ SET 1	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #2B Creating Positive Connections: Purposeful Preschool Classroom Engagement Erica Hinshaw LEC ~ SET 2	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #2C Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children Sarah Bright HSN ~ SET 1
LUNCH	Session #3 - Session Selection		
1:30 - 3 PM	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #3A Mirror & Window Books: A Glimpse into Children's Lives & Dreams Melissa East DIV ~ SET 1	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #3B P3 Alignment: Strengthening Communities Through Connections Skaidra Scholey FCS ~ SET 1	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #3C Engaging Parents: Enhancing Your Program with Community Partners Charity Grover FCS ~ SET 1
BREAK	Session #4 - Session Selection		
3:15 - 4:45 PM	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #4A Adventures Await: Igniting Children's Imagination Through Museum Education Sire Wren Pro LEC ~ SET 1	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #4B Raise Up Oregon 2.0 David Mandell PPLD ~ SET 1	<input type="checkbox"/> SESSION #4C Storytime Fun: Tips & Tricks Jennifer Knight LEC ~ SET 1
4:45 - 5 PM	CLOSING & DOOR PRIZES!		



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Sponsor Billing Student Acknowledgement and Information Release

Legal Name (First, M.I. Last): _____ SOCC ID#: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

US Citizen (Y/N) _____ If no, Country: _____ OR Residence (Y/N): _____ If no, State: _____

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Retreat is FREE this year! – MUST select appropriate scholarship below.

_____ **Oregon Statewide Scholarship Program:** Oregon Family Child Care (OFCC) Scholarships
1st come. 1st serve. Must qualify (Registered/Certified Family). **APPLY BY MAY 31, 2024!**

_____ **South Coast Regional Early Learning Scholarship**

*Those that do not qualify for Oregon Family Child Care Scholarship, are covered under the SCREL 2024 Scholarship fund!

*****DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR RETREAT BY THE LAKE IS FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2024 by 4:30 PM*****

FOOD ALLERGIES & PREFERENCES

Please list any food allergies and/or preferences here: _____

ACCOMODATIONS

We value inclusion and access for all participants and are pleased to provide reasonable accommodations for this event. Please contact Jaimee Rice at jaimee.rice@socc.edu or 541-888-7957 to make a reasonable accommodation request. Requests must be submitted by June 7, 2024. This event is wheelchair accessible.

Statement of Responsibility: I acknowledge and understand that I am registering for a course at Southwestern. I accept the terms required to participate in Southwestern Oregon Community College sponsor billing program, including but not limited to the following:

- The College must receive all necessary completed forms, and award/guarantee letter from Respective Scholarship in order to bill my cost of conference attendance to the Scholarship fund.
- The College will submit allowable charges to my sponsor on my behalf, but the responsibility for payment of all charges remains with me.
- I acknowledge that if my sponsor fails to pay, I am responsible for all charges assessed to my student account. Non-payment will result in denial of awarding conference professional development hours and future Southwestern course registration until the debt is paid to the College.

Consent for Release of Educational Records: The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords certain rights to students concerning the privacy of, and access to, their education records. I authorize the College to release portions of my educational record, including registration status, College bills and financial documents that pertain to this conference to the **CARE Connections CCR & R** on the campus of Southwestern Oregon Community College for the purpose of invoicing and payment.

Attendee Signature

Date

*****email signed form with scholarship award letter (if applicable) to jaimee.rice@socc.edu**

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