

Attention, Attention, Attention! Read all about it!!!

The Professional Development team will be offering face to face trainings for the first time in over two years. However, with recommendations from the CDC, and our MountainHeart agency, locations and class sizes will be limited and social distancing guidelines per the CDC will be implemented and must be followed by all participants. Don't miss this great opportunity to attend face to face trainings, go register at WVSTARS now.



Due to the uncertainty of COVID, if cases increase again, face to face training will return to virtual.

April - June 2022

## Face to Face Topics, Summaries and Dates April-June 2022

<u>April</u>

Topic: Adventures of Risky Play

Core Knowledge and Competencies: 1 hr. Environment and Curriculum & 1 hr. Health, Safety, and

**Nutrition** 

**WVELFS:** Health and Physical Development **Target Audience:** All Ages **Tier:** Intermediate

**Summary:** "Don't do that!" "Don't jump from there!" "Get down you will get hurt." We as providers have all said these things before, but there are benefits in risky play. In this training you will learn how to risky play

safe, but still adventurous.

**Topic: Setting the Science Scene** 

**Core Knowledge and Competencies**: 2 hrs. Environment and Curriculum

Target Audience: Adults Tier: Intermediate

**Summary:** "The important thing is to never stop questioning."- Albert Einstein. In this professional development session, participants will learn how to set up their science center to encourage investigation, observation, and exploration. Participants will leave this professional development session feeling confident in integrating science into their daily routine

Mercer County/MountainHeart Office, 1411 N. Walker St., Princeton, WV 24740

10:00 am-12:00 pm Adventures of Risky Play 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Setting the Science Scene

May

Topic: Are you listening?

April 27, 2022

Core Knowledge and Core Competency: 1 hr. Child Growth and Development & 1 hr. Family and

Community Relationships

Target Audience: Adults Tier: Advance

**Summary:** Learning to communicate effectively requires listening as much if not more than talking. In the early childhood classroom, we can learn a lot just by listening. In this professional development session we will study how to use active listening and empathic listening to assist with challenging behaviors, teaching children how to listen and help build the connections with the children, families and co-workers within your environment.

Topic: Leadership in the Classroom-How to be a leader and create leaders within your classrooms

Core Knowledge and Core Competency: 2 hrs. Professionalism and Leadership

Target Audience: Adults Tier: Advance

**Summary:** As teachers in the classroom you are one of the many examples that children see and learn from. In this professional development session participants will take time to reflect and see the importance of their leadership in the environments they teach. We will also learn ways to support leadership in the children they teach.

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May 3, 2022 10:00 am-12:00 pm Are You Listening?

1:00 pm-3:00 pm Leadership in the Classroom-How to be a leader

and create leaders within your classrooms

Nicholas County/MountainHeart Office, 1020 Broad St., Summersville, WV 26651

May 5, 2022 10:00 am-12:00 pm Are You Listening?

1:00 pm-3:00 pm Leadership in the Classroom-How to be a leader

and create leaders within your classrooms

## June

Topic: You've Got a Friend in Me!

Core Knowledge Competencies: 2 hr. Child Growth and Development

**WVELSF:** Social and Emotional Development **Target Audience:** Adult **Tier:** Intermediate

**Summary:** How do you make a friend? What makes you a good friend? How do we say "sorry" when we hurt someone else's feelings? In this professional development session, participants will learn new strategies to help guide their children in their everyday interactions with their peer in making and keeping friendships.

Topic: What Are We Building with Blocks Today? Learning through Block Play

Core Knowledge and Competencies: 1 hr. Child Growth and Development & 1 hr. Environment and

Curriculum

**WVELFS:** All Domains

**Target Audience**: Mixed Age Group **Tier:** Intermediate

Summary: Building with blocks provides valuable learning experiences for young children. Block play stimulates learning in all domains of development, intellectual, physical, social-emotional and language. Research shows that blocks play is important and ways to implement it into your curriculum. In this professional development session, you will learn how to enhance and promote learning through block play.

Greenbrier County/Workforce WV, 25 Red Oaks Shopping Center, Ronceverte, WV 24901

June 30, 2022 10:00 am-12:00 pm You've Got a Friend in Me!

1:00 pm-3:00 pm What Are We Building with Blocks Today? Learning

through Block Play