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June Activities

Let's get messy!



Teacher Resources

Attention Preschool Teachers!!

Do you need help with lesson planning or themes? Did you know UAFS has a collection of theme boxes that are **FREE** to check out and use in your classroom? Email Sheri Young at sheri.young@uafs.edu if you are interested.

Need more resources or inspiration? Check out the **RV-ECA** **pinterest** page!

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SUMMER SAFETY TIPS



Sun Safety for Kids

- Use a high-quality sunscreen.
- Be mindful of the UV index.
- Keep babies out of direct sunlight.
- Limit exposure when sun is most intense.



Heat-related illnesses

- Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate — before you get thirsty.
- Alcohol is not a substitute for water.
- Take breaks if working in extreme heat.
- Call 911 if signs of heat stroke are present.



Water Safety

- ALWAYS supervise children around water.
- Drowning is a leading cause of death among young children and babies.
- Nearly half of all pool drownings are children 4 and under.
- Always enter a body of water, including a pool, feet first.



Summer & COVID-19

- Use breathable materials (cotton) for summer mask use.
- Avoid crowded outdoor spaces where social distancing isn't possible.
- Consider packing a spare mask in a sandwich bag.

Water Safety



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Car Safety



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June 2021 Trainings



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Wrapping Up the Year



TEAMWORK
MAKES
THE
Dream Work
2020-2021

online

The 59th Annual Conference

Saturday, June 12 2021
10:00am-12:30pm via Zoom

Register today on our website
www.arkansasearlychildhood.org



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Arkansas Association
for Infant Mental Health

Save the Date

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Virtual Summer Summit

*Relationships Matter:
Advancing Early
Relational Health for
Future Wellbeing*

David Willis, MD

Scholarships
Available!



**June 24, 2021
9am-12pm**

Register Today!
aaimh.org/events

David W. Willis, MD, FAAP serves as a Senior Fellow at the Center for the Study of Social Policy and is a national expert in pediatrics, early childhood systems, early relational health and early childhood mental health. At CSSP he helps to advance the growing intersection of child health transformation and early childhood system building with a social justice emphasis and an early relational health frame. Prior to coming to CSSP, Dr. Willis served as the Inaugural Executive Director of the Perigee Fund in Seattle, the Division Director of Home Visiting and Early Childhood Systems in HRSA under the Obama administration, and an early brain and child development pediatric leader in Oregon and AAP. Dr. Willis has been a developmental-behavioral pediatric clinician in Portland, Oregon for more than 30 years. He received his MD from Thomas Jefferson University.

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T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood®

ARKANSAS

A Program of
Arkansas Early Childhood Association

Teacher

Education

And

Compensation

Helps

Are you an Early Childhood teacher, director or family child care provider?

Interested in a degree in Early Childhood Education, but in need of financial assistance?

Then **T.E.A.C.H.** is the program for you! Click the T.E.A.C.H. link above to learn more and apply for this great opportunity to further your education and careers!

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Early Childhood Providers Need Support!

Interested in improving your overall well-being?



Be Well Care Well Arkansas offers a **FREE** program that promotes taking care of the well-being of Early Childhood providers.

Click to apply!

Click for more information.

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Stay connected with us!

Like us on **Facebook**, check our **affiliate google site**, and check the AECA **affiliate page** to stay current on upcoming events.



Training Feedback Form:

We want to hear from **YOU!** Keep an eye on your inboxes/spam for a RV-ECA Professional Training feedback form. Your voices matter and your feedback is essential in order to provide quality training.

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Join AECA

*Connect with like-minded professionals
who share a goal to make life better for children*



Member Benefits

- ★ Membership in two associations for one price
- ★ Networking through local affiliations or chapters
- ★ Support from social media groups and message boards
- ★ Access to the latest information about child development
- ★ Verified training in the Professional Development Registry
- ★ Advocacy with policymakers on important early childhood issues
- ★ Home of T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Arkansas Scholarship Program
- ★ Reduced rates to AECA and SECA conferences



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