



Early Childhood Association

Affiliate of Arkansas Early Childhood Association (AECA)

Spring 2023 Schedule

Must register on PDR prior to meeting

Meeting Location: First United Methodist Church Christian Life Center, 218 Pratt Street, Hot Springs

Monday, February 13, 2023

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

“What Are You Telling Me”

PDR# 53693

Some children show extreme behaviors when faced with sensory disorders. Children with sensory processing issues behave in ways that are often confusing and misunderstood. They might react strongly to loud noises or bright lights or complain that their clothing is uncomfortable. They may refuse to touch certain textures and/or react to noises or sounds. As educators, we must observe the “sensory” communication and not the behavior to determine what the child is telling us.

Presenter: Dee Cox, Educational Consultant and VP of Membership at Arkansas Early Childhood Association

Monday, March 13, 2023

6:00– 8:00 p.m.

“Play Yards, Neighborhoods, and Other Special Places”

PDR# TBD

Join us to celebrate Arkansas Children's Week 2023! Together, we'll explore *sense of place* as we consider ways to help children create memorable and meaningful connections with their classrooms, outdoor play areas, natural spaces, and communities. *Participants will receive a book.*

Presenter: Marcy White, Arkansas State University Childhood Services, Continuum for Teaching & Learning

Dinner and Tribute

Monday, April 17, 2023

6:00– 8:00 p.m.

“Early Childhood Professionals Who Are Difference Makers for Children-Families-Communities”

Presenter: Ann Patterson, Project Director, Teaming for Early Childhood Inclusion “TECI”, Partners for Inclusive Communities, University of Arkansas

PDR# 54063, Cost is \$5 payable by check or credit card to Donny Caudill, Must register by April 1st

Training Hours

- CEUs (Continuing Education Units) will be awarded for each training
- Hours count toward DHS Licensing Requirements for annual training hours
- Hours count toward required training hours for Better Beginnings