



March Activities



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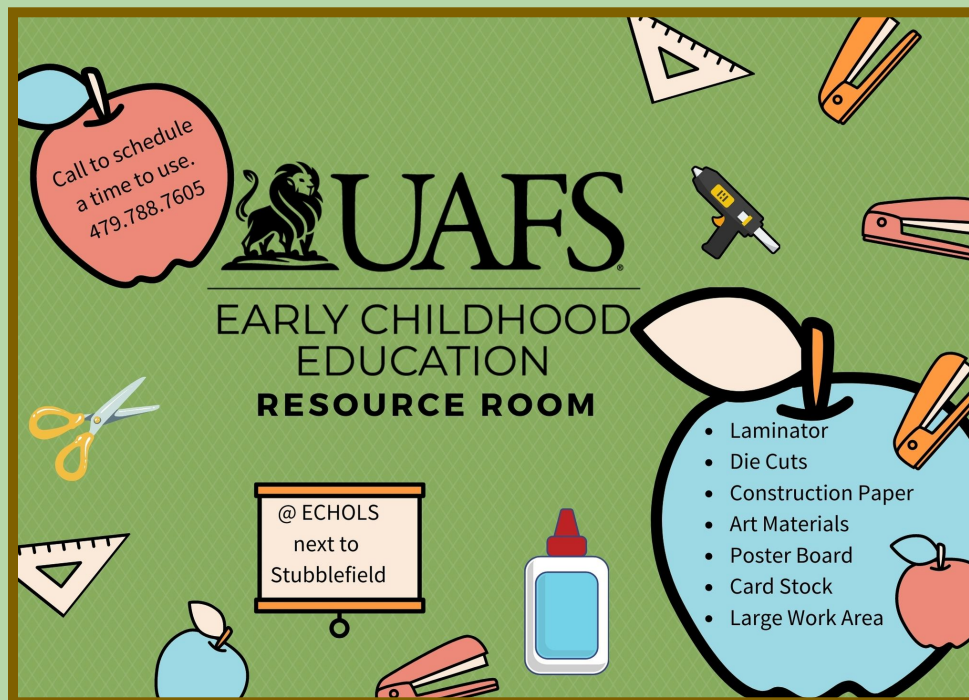


Attention Preschool Teachers!!



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!

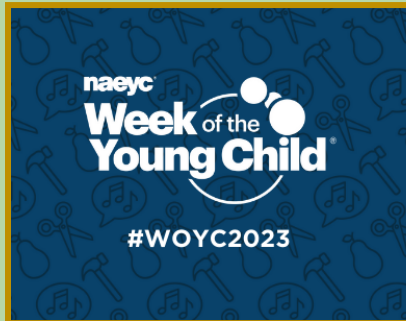


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SAVE THE DATE

April 1-7, 2023



Arkansas Children's Week 2023

Planning Toolkit

Play Yards, Neighborhoods,
and Other Special Places

Click images to start planning!

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River Valley Early Childhood Association Meetings 2023



Tuesday

**January
10th**

via zoom

Teacher Resources (6:30pm-7:30pm)

Dee Cook will share information about free teaching resources. Course ID 51817

Via zoom RV-ECA Business meeting 6:15-6:30

Physical Development (6:30pm-7:30pm)

It's Spring! Learn some indoor/outdoor games for the spring AND summer. Activities for all age groups included.

Location: ECHOLS building at UAFS. Course ID 51819

RV-ECA Business meeting 6:15-6:30

Tuesday

**April
11th**

ECHOLS building @ UAFS

Tuesday

**September
12th**

via zoom

Classroom Management (6:30-7:30pm)

New school year. New classroom! Learn some new tips to make your daily schedules and classroom transitions run smoothly and safely. Course ID 51820

RV-ECA Business meeting 6:15-6:30

Child Care Aware (6:30pm-7:30pm)

Erica Holland will share resources and services for teachers and parents. Location Child Care Aware Center.

Location: Child Care Aware of the River Valley Center.

Course ID 51822

RV-ECA Business meeting 6:15-6:30

Tuesday

**November
14th**

Child Care Aware River Valley

Training Challenge!

Participants that attend 3 trainings will be entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card!



Questions? Email rveca50@gmail.com



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2023 RV-ECA Training Challenge

Attend 3 trainings and you are entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card!



~~January 10th~~

~~Teacher Resources in the River Valley~~

~~.....
via zoom~~

April 11th

Let's Play: Indoor and outdoor games for early childhood.

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ECHOLS building @ UAFS

Drawing will be held on November 14th!

September 12th

Classroom Management: Tips for daily schedules and transitions.

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via zoom

November 14th

Child Care Aware: Resources and services for teachers and parents.

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Child Care Aware River Valley

Trainings 6:30-7:30pm
Business meetings 6:15-6:30pm



UPCOMING RVECA MEETING



When: Tuesday, April 11th
6:30-7:30pm
Business meeting 6:15-6:30

Where: ECHOLS building at
UAFS
PDR Course# 51817

Chance to Win!



Let's Play: Indoor & Outdoor
Activities

Ashley Napurano

Spring is here and summer is
around the corner! Get ready for
some fun activities to do with your
kiddos rain or shine!

Training challenge:
Attend 3 of our trainings and you
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a \$50 Amazon gift card!

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TRAININGS

Teaching Staff

Super Saturday Clarksville

March 11

For more information or to register, click [here](#).

Early Learning Standards Basics (1.5 hours of PDR credit)

January 4 - March 31

Register: <https://forms.gle/14SJj6mwctqoiSaY9>

For more information contact Meghan Foster, MAnderson@AState.edu

Responsive Routines –

Nap and Rest with Infants and Toddlers (2 hours of PDR credit)

February 28 – March 9

For more information or to register, <https://bit.ly/RRNap2-23> or contact Rebecca Dunahoo, RDunahoo@AState.edu

Responsive Routines –

Diapering and Toileting with Infants and Toddlers (2 hours of PDR credit)

March 7 - 16

For more information or to register, <https://bit.ly/RRDiapering3-23> or contact Rebecca Dunahoo, RDunahoo@AState.edu

Responsive Routines –

Moving through Each Day with Infants and Toddlers (2 hours of PDR credit)

March 14 - 23

For more information or to register, <https://bit.ly/RRMoving3-23> or contact Rebecca Dunahoo, RDunahoo@AState.edu

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Using Books to Promote Healthy Eating (2 hours of PDR credit)

This course can be taken at any time.

Register: <https://conta.cc/3vwM2Lc>

For more information contact Jeri Lynne Knight, JKnight@AState.edu

Going Outdoors with Infants and Toddlers (2 hours of PDR credit)

This course can be taken at any time.

Register: <https://conta.cc/3WVXtaQ>

For more information Jeri Lynne Knight, JKnight@AState.edu

Guiding Children with Special Needs

Jonesboro

March 16, 2023

Register: <https://conta.cc/3m2XoSsk>

For more information about Conscious Discipline trainings contact:

Debi Dunning, DDunning@AState.edu

Youth Work Method: Cooperative Learning (2 hours of PDR credit)

March 4, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Fayetteville

PDR #51898

For more information email OST@AState.edu

Youth Work Method: Building Community (2 hours of PDR credit)

March 4, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Fayetteville

PDR #51899

For more information email OST@AState.edu

Northwest Arkansas Director's Roundtable

Teambuilding: Creating a Unified School Family

March 9, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

PDR # 52639

For information contact TTeters@AState.edu, AEddy@AState.edu, or JKnight@AState.edu

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Southwest Arkansas Director's Roundtable

March 14, 11:30 a.m. - 12: 30 p.m.

Register: <https://conta.cc/3jjGsJp>

For more information contact Geania Dickey, GDickey@AState.edu

Work Sampling System Refresher 2022 (2 hours of PDR credit)

March 15, 12:30 p.m.

Register: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/94573985433694107>

For more information contact Brooke Atkinson, BRoth@AState.edu

Work Sampling System Introduction (12 hours of PDR credit)

March 1 and 2, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Searcy

PDR# 51967

For more information contact Angela Morrison, AMorrison@AState.edu



Conscious Discipline



Registration is a commitment to attend all sessions of the training series.

This training has the ability to not only change your professional life but your personal life as well. We hope you will be able to make the commitment to attend one of these opportunities

Conscious Discipline Pre-K

Jonesboro

March 14 and 15, 2023

April 13 and 14, 2023

To register please email, Debi Dunning, DDunning@AState.edu

Hot Springs

March 9 and 10, 2023

To register email Debi Dunning, DDunning@AState.edu

For more information about Conscious Discipline trainings contact:

Debi Dunning, DDunning@AState.edu



Curriculum

Explorers Curriculum for Toddlers and Twos

<http://asuchildhoodservices.org/#!/toddlers>

Neighborhood Creatures

Explorers Preschool Curriculum

<http://asuchildhoodservices.org/#!/preschoolexp>



Boats and Waterways

Behavior Help Support

BehaviorHelp offers services to assist child care programs in managing challenging classroom behaviors, as well as the social and emotional well-being of your children, families, and staff. If administrators or staff would like support from a technical assistance provider or mental health consultant, please complete an online BehaviorHelp support request form.

behaviorhelponline.org



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Training Feedback Form:

What training(s) are you interested in? What training do you **NEED**? We want to hear from **YOU**! Click on this [link](#) to fill out our Professional Training feedback form.



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- ★ 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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Five reasons to become an Arkansas Early Childhood Association Member today!



Support

We help AECA members in their work with children and families as one team, providing support and recognition for the work involved in early childhood across the state of Arkansas, by building community to celebrate our successes and supporting each other when times are tough.



Standards

We work to improve the standards of care and quality of life for young children. We hold our members up as a professional community committed to high quality care and education of young children, shining a light on the work we do as highly essential to all communities.



Understanding

We further the development of knowledge and understanding of young children and the dissemination of such information. We provide our members with professional development opportunities that help them improve the lives of children and become confident advocates.



Contribution

We encourage the provision of education, developmental resources, and services for young children. By sharing the latest cutting edge information and quality research, our members are able to contribute to high quality care and education that children deserve every day.



Connections

We have community based affiliate groups across Arkansas where members can receive professional development, network and enjoy touring the settings of providers. We also has an annual conference where members get exclusive discounts. As an affiliate of the Southern Early Childhood Association, you are automatically a member of SECA and receive access to Dimensions of Early Childhood, the refereed journal that includes current articles on best practices in childcare and early childhood education policy.

Being a member of AECA means belonging to a group of like-minded professionals with a common goal to make life better for children.

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