



Early Childhood Connections

OST Newsletter

January/February 2009

Check out our website for more information and more detailed descriptions of these and other training opportunities. www.earlychildhoodconnections.com

* * * Region 1 OST Training Calendar * * *

\$5/Certificate Module class (Each full series may be taken for Teacher Renewal Credit - \$15/Series)

OST Certificate Series III:

Developing and Implementing Quality OST Environments - Part One

Jan 8	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 16 - Developing and Implementing Effective OST Indoor Interest Areas	Rapid City
Jan 15	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 17 - Developing and Implementing Effective Outdoor OST Environments and Interest Areas	Rapid City
Jan 22	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 18 - Exploring Diverse Activity Formats, Planning Tools, and Staff Roles	Rapid City

OST Certificate Series IV:

Developing and Implementing Quality OST Environments - Part Two

Jan 29	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 19 - Involving School-Age Children in Activity Planning and Implementation	Rapid City
Feb 5	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 20 - Developing Activities That Encourage Creativity and Cognitive Development	Rapid City
Feb 12	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 21 - Creating Successful Clubs in OST Programs	Rapid City
Feb 19	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 22 - Developing Activities that Support Character Development and Promote Social Interaction	Rapid City
Feb 26	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 23 - Providing Homework Support	Rapid City
Mar 5	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 24 - Helping Children with ADD Succeed in OST Programs	Rapid City

Other ECC classes - see website training calendar for schedules, descriptions & costs

Feb 10	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Tell Me a Story: Literacy for School-Age Children	Rapid City
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9 Essentials Skills for the Love & Logic Classroom

\$60/Series which includes workbook (May be taken for Teacher Renewal Credit - \$15/Series)

Jan 12, 19, 26 Feb 2, 9, 23, Mar 2, 9, 16	Mondays	6:30-8:30 pm	The primary goal of the Love and Logic program is to give parents, educators, and others working with children practical strategies for reducing behavior problems, increasing motivation, and building assets which contribute to life-long responsibility and resiliency. This series includes low stress strategies that help end student arguing and back talk, guide children to own and solve their problems, prevent problems and build positive relationships with challenging students.	Rapid City
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School-age training is available, upon request, at other sites in western and central South Dakota



<http://www.naaconvention.org/register.html>

OST Theme Tubs

Great States	Music of Many Cultures	Marvelous Math I & II
Weather Wonder	Simple Machine Discoveries	Microscopic Wonders
Bug Detectives (missing)	Movement Extravaganza	Measurement Mysteries
Be Money Wise	Electricity and Magnets	Sign Language
ReCharge!	KidzMath (K-2 or 3-6)	KidzLit (K-3 or 3-5)
HeartPower K-2	HeartPower - Level 3-5	HeartPower - Level 6-8
Fractions: Fantastic, Fun & Friendly	Where in the World are we? (Solar System)	

OST Theme Tubs are available for School-Age Programs to check out for 2-4 weeks. Delivery and/or pickup is available for most sites. Call Candy for more details.

Grant Opportunity

The 21st Century Community Learning Center grant is given to schools, nonprofits, and other community organizations to help fund programming that takes place outside of regular school hours (such as after school and summer programs).

We have opened up the process for another round of grants. These grants are for from \$50,000 to \$150,000 per year for five years. We anticipate being able to fund at least six new grants. If you know of programs or people who may be interested in applying for this, the application is on the web at this address:

<http://doe.sd.gov/oess/21cent/appprocess.asp>

Leslie Schweitzer or Sue Burgard will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

605-773-5238

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Afterschool Day at the Capitol

Applications must be postmarked or received by January 16th - Scholarships Available!

Afterschool Day at the Capitol will be held on February 23, 2009 in the Capitol Rotunda in Pierre. Afterschool programs wanting to participate in this year's event need to complete and submit the official application form by January 16th. Late applications will not be considered.

SoDaksACA will be offering scholarships this year for afterschool programs participating in the 2009 Afterschool Day at the Capitol event on February 23, 2009. The scholarship application must be attached to the official application form and received by the deadline date.

Ryan Zens, Rapid City and Marianne Freng, Huron are co-chairs of this event. For more information, and application forms, go to:
www.sodaksaca.org

CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES!

<http://cspinet.org/new/pdf/schoolfundraising.pdf>

Healthy School Fundraisers Can Be as Practical and Profitable as Unhealthy Fundraisers

Disney Family.com

<http://family.go.com/> Answers to everyday family life including recipes, entertainment, parenting, coupons, travel and more.

Afterschool Care Snacks and Suppers

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/care/Regs-Policy/Snacks/Afterschool_Snacks_Suppers.htm

Afterschool programs that meet criteria that qualify them as "at risk" can be reimbursed for serving healthy snacks to children and youth up to age 18.

Portion Distortion!

<http://hp2010.nhlbihin.net/portion/index.htm>

A website aimed at offering education on how portion sizes have grown over the last 20 years. The website explains the difference between a portion and a serving and includes meal planners and a Serving Size Card that can help the user recall what a standard food serving looks like.



Program assistance, training, consultation, observations and on-going support is available for OST programs in Regions 1 & 2 (western and central counties in South Dakota) from Early Childhood Connections in Rapid City. For more information contact:



Our Mission:
*To enrich the lives of
children by working with
the adults who affect
their lives - parents,
caregivers, and educators.*

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