



# Early Childhood Connections OST Newsletter

March/April 2008

Check out our website for more information and more detailed descriptions of these and other training opportunities. [www.earlychildhoodconnections.com](http://www.earlychildhoodconnections.com)

## \*\*\* Region 1 OST Training Calendar \*\*\*

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

### OST Certificate Series IV:

#### Developing and Implementing Quality OST Environments - Part Two

Mar 6	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 22 - Developing Activities that Support Character Development and Promote Social Interaction	Rapid City
Mar 13	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 23 - Providing Homework Support	Rapid City
Mar 20	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 24 - Helping Children with ADD Succeed in OST Programs	Rapid City

### OST Credential Series I:

#### Management/Administration

Mar 27	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 1 - Observing Children in OST Programs	Rapid City
Apr 3	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 2 - Sharing Information with Parents and Other Professionals	Rapid City
Apr 10	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 3 - Commitment to Quality in OST	Rapid City
Apr 24	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 4 - Making Plans and Developing Policies	Rapid City
May 1	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 5 - Creating and Managing Budgets in OST	Rapid City
May 8	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 6 - The Six "Ps" of Marketing OST Programs	Rapid City

### OST Credential Series II:

#### Leadership/Professionalism

May 15	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 7 - Growing as a Professional: Health & Stress Management	Rapid City
May 22	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 8 - Human Relations Skill Development: Leadership Styles and Conflict Mgmt	Rapid City
May 29	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Credential Module 9 - Exploring Ethics in OST	Rapid City

School-age training is available, upon request, at other sites in western South Dakota.

# \*\*\* Region 2 - OST Training Calendar \*\*\*

## OST Certificate Series II:

### Building the Foundations for Human Relationships

Mar 4	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 7 - Observation Skills - What's Really Going on Here?	Pierre
Mar 18	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 8 - Human Relations Skill Development	Pierre
Apr 1	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 9 - OST As a Family Service: Emphasis on Relationship Building	Pierre
Apr 15	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 10 - OST As a Family Service: Emphasis on Planning Opportunities for Family Involvement	Pierre
May 6	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 11 - Building Relationships with School Personnel	Pierre
May 20	Tuesday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 12 - Growing as a Professional in OST	Pierre

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

## 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.**

## IN-STATE CONFERENCES

**OST Director's Retreat:** Sponsored by Dept. of Social Services, the 2008 event is currently scheduled for April 10-12, 2008 in the Black Hills. Registration information at <http://dss.sd.gov/childcare/whatsnew/>

Contact Rosemary Hayward with questions: [Rosemary.Hayward@state.sd.us](mailto:Rosemary.Hayward@state.sd.us)

**State Character Education Conference:** This annual conference will be held June 17-18 in Sioux Falls. Questions about this conference can be addressed to Karelyn Farrand, State Coordinator: [karelyn.farrand@ces.sdstate.edu](mailto:karelyn.farrand@ces.sdstate.edu). Check their website for updates: <http://4h.sdstate.edu/character>

**21st CCLC Conference:** This third annual conference sponsored by Dept. of Education will be held at the Ramkota in Pierre on July 7-8, 2008. This event is open to all afterschool programs statewide and features great breakout sessions and keynotes. Contact Sue Burgard with questions: [Sue.Burgard@state.sd.us](mailto:Sue.Burgard@state.sd.us)

The **South Dakota OST Credential** consists of the Credential training combined with the Core and Certificate training and an additional 15 hours of independent study, including completion of a Professional Resource File and Portfolio. This credential will provide OST program staff the opportunity to earn a state specific school-age "Credential" similar to the national CDA credential for staff who work with infants, toddlers and preschool age children. For more information check out our website.

<http://www.earlychildhoodconnections.com/OutOfSchoolTimeTextPage.htm>



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.*

[www.earlychildhoodconnections.com](http://www.earlychildhoodconnections.com)

Candy Kalil  
Regional OST Training Specialist  
809 South Street, Suite 304  
Rapid City, SD 57701  
(605) 342-6464 or 888-999-7759  
[ckalil@rushmore.com](mailto:ckalil@rushmore.com)

This newsletter will be published bimonthly for programs serving school-age children  
in western and central South Dakota.  
If you would like to receive the newsletter through email contact Candy at [ckalil@rushmore.com](mailto:ckalil@rushmore.com)

Early Childhood Connections  
809 South Street, Suite # 304  
Rapid City, SD 57701