

FLAEYC 2018 Annual Conference
Best Practices in Early Learning for Florida's Children
September 5 – 9, 2018
Rosen Shingle Creek / Orlando, FL

Behavior Management, Guidance and Nurturing

Alina V. Soto, BGS	Trauma Informed Child Care
Amy Decker, Ed.S. (Co-Presenter: Nicole Rice)	Emotional Geography: What State Are You In? (<i>Conscious Discipline</i> ®)
Debbi Nicolosi, M.Ed.	Best Practices for Preventing Challenging Behavior in the Classroom
Katja von Elbe, M.S.Ed.	Talking to Toddlers to Coach and Co-Regulate (<i>Conscious Discipline</i> ®)
Marielena Aguilar, M.S.Ed.	Eng: Converting Connections into Behavior Changes (4 C of Behavior) Spn: Convirtiendo Conexiones en Cambios de Conductas (4 C del Comportamiento)
Maryann "Mar" Harman	Nurturing the Body, Heart & Mind Through Music (<i>Saturday, September 8: Closing Plenary Session - Music with Mar</i>)
Michele L. Lucia, Ed.D.	Creating Calm in a Chaotic World: Using Mindfulness and Meditation to Ease Anxiety and Stress in the Classroom
Nicole Mercer, M.S.	Why Can't They Just Get Along? Utilizing Conflict Moments to Create Teaching Opportunities (<i>Conscious Discipline</i> ®)
Nicole Rice (Co-Presenter: Amy Decker, Ed.S.)	Providing Children Predictability in an Unpredictable World (<i>Conscious Discipline</i> ®)
Nicole Mercer, M.S.	What's the Difference? Upgrading Common Strategies to Conscious Discipline
Pamela C. Phelps, Ph.D.	Is It Misbehavior or Developmentally Delayed Behavior?
Saleha Hafiz, M.Ed.	Introduction to Positive Discipline
Teri Branker, Ed.D. (Co-Presenter: Dana Rolle, Ed.D.)	Effective Behavior Management in Preschools

Child Care Business Management and Leadership / Leadership, Management and Administration

Dawn K. Martini	H.R. and Legal Issues for Early Child Care Directors (<i>Ronald V. McGuckin & Associates –Friday special series</i>)
Beth Block	Crisis Management (<i>Block Insurance</i>)
Dawn K. Martini	Legal Issues in the Business of Early Child Care and Education (<i>Ronald V. McGuckin & Associates –Saturday special series</i>)

Jeff Kostih	Always Be on the Lookout - How to be Prepared and Help Prevent Lawsuits (<i>Florida Day Care Insurance</i>)
Michelle Lackey	Prospect to Parent... Building Relationships, Building Enrollment (<i>Smart Care</i>)
Beth Block	Does Your Parent Handbook Protect Your School? (<i>Block Insurance</i>)
Michelle Lackey	Social Media & Parent Engagement (<i>Smart Care</i>)
Child Growth and Development	
Carol Montealegre, M.Ed.	Eng: Fostering Self-Regulation: Plan-Do-Review Spn: La Auto Regulacion: Planear-Trabajar-Repasar (<i>High Scope</i>)
Darlene DeMarie, Ph.D. (Co-Presenter: Megan Cross, M.Ed.)	Play Activities that Enhance Children's Academic Achievement
James Lucas	Bouncing Back! Activities in Resilience for the Developing Brain
Kelly Techo	Babble With Me
Maryann "Mar" Harman	Tappin' Those Tiny Toes
Tammy Kaiser, MSJE	Brain Architecture: Building the Brains of Tomorrow
Classroom Environment	
Becky Bell	Reducing Stress and Creating a Positive Learning Environment
Mirja Tatum (Co-Presenter: Tatiana Rego)	Playful Ways to Introduce Children to Nature
Natalie Jackson	Fixer Upper: Rethinking Spaces for Infants and Toddlers
Robin Thompson, PhD (Co-Presenter: Angela Leggett)	StoryMaking: Materials, Stories, and Makerspaces for Young Children
Curriculum, Learning Experiences and Strategies	
Carrie Becker	Loose Parts: To Promote STEAM Education
Darlene Blanzky, BA	Creative Movement to Classical Music: Choreography for Kindergarten and Preschool Children
Debbie Clement	When in Doubt? Sing and Dance!
Erin Carey, M.Ed	Young Investigators: The Project Approach in the Early Years

FLAEYC Play Chapter Leaders and Founding Members	Purposeful Play Space <i>(Facilitated by the FLAEYC Play Chapter)</i>
Gail Taylor, M.A.	PBS: Tools and Inspiration for Creative Learning
Ines Murray	Sensory Fun: Take a Ride on the Wild Side <i>(Discount School Supply)</i>
Jamaica Stevens, CEO	Let's Get Moving
Jamie M. Williams, M.Ed.	Building Pre-Reading Skills for our Youngest Learners <i>(Neumor's)</i>
John Funk, M.Ed.	The Part of Art that's from the Heart!: Art Activities That Promote Critical and Creative Thinking
Judy Kuang	PianoClub Program – How to Implement Early Childhood Piano Classes at Your Program/School <i>(PianoClub Program)</i>
Kristy Pinkney, MA E.D.	Play University: Playing with a Purpose
Louis A. Marinkovich, MSED	Give Your Children WINGS: Effective Strategies for Reaching At-Risk Children
Melinda Webster (Co-Presenter: Monique Wilkinson)	The Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards: 2017 Birth to Kindergarten Overview
Roberta (Nicki) Newton, Ed.D.	Counting is More Than 1, 2, 3
Ron Shuali, M.Ed.	Yogarate®: Yoga and Martial Arts for Social Emotional Success
Sandra Vargas-Gutierrez	Eco-explorations with Children's Literature and Hands-on Learning
Vera Meyerholtz	Supporting Reading Readiness...One Phoneme at a Time
Diversity and Multiculturalism	
Cynthia Krosky, CSP, LCSW	Understanding and Making the Most of Differences
Suzanne Cruz, Ed.D. (Co-Presenters: Jessica Espinosa, Ph.D. & Dorothy Koffler, M.Ed.)	The World is a Rainbow: Critical Literacy for the Early Childhood Classroom
Family and Community Relationships	
Jeanette Johnson, MS, BCBA (Co-Presenters: Ashley Riggs, MSW & Tanisha Prince, BSW)	Family Strengthening: A Holistic Approach to Early Childhood Education

Michelle Alfred	"Upping The Ante" - Increasing the Value of Early Education Experiences Through Family and Community Involvement
Natalina Anne Zisa, MPH, MT	Neumor's CareConnect: Telemedicine & Virtual Care Program
Nivea Lisandra Torres, Ph.D. (Co-Presenter: Shannon Maitland, MPA)	Pre-K Party & Kindergarten Round-up (<i>English & Español</i>)
Health, Safety and Nutrition	
Daphine Harvey, BA	Transportation Safety - Child Care Regulation
Dinah Davis (Co-Presenter: Cindy Campbell)	What's New in Child Care Regulation
Dr. Jillian Hagerman	Safety and Injury Prevention in Early Care and Education Settings
Language and Literacy	
Beverly Clayton Oglesby, M.Ed	From Rhyming to Reading
Celeste Timmons	Early Literacy on a Budget
Danielle Jennings	Let's Talk Baby Talk
Dottie Ports	Engaging Children by Using Common Reusable Materials to Design and Create Unique Books
Jennifer Faber, B.S.	Introduction to 'Talk With Me Baby'
Lisa L. Toscano	Revving Up Reading Readiness
Polly Beebe (Co-Presenter: Amy Zolessi)	Leaping into Literacy: Using Children's Literature as a Springboard to Build Classroom Community and Teach Social Skills and Problem-Solving (<i>Conscious Discipline</i> ®)
Leadership, Management and Administration	

Barbara Hassall	Preparing Your Center for a Disaster
Beatrice Samson	It's a Matter of Leadership
Hilary Nelson, M.Ed. (Co-Presenter: Stephanie Cugini, M.Ed.)	Envisioning Leadership Professional Development
Michelle Toral (Co-Presenters: Dr. Maria Riestra-Quintero & DeArdra Rolle)	Pop Up Professional Development
Stephanie Gehres (Co-Presenters: Erin Smeltzer & Katerina Maroney)	New Legislation is on the Horizon! What Does House Bill 1091 Mean for Florida?
Dr. Scott Beck (Co-Presenters: Julie Spent & Rhonda Dry)	Responsibilities of School Based Leaders (<i>Step Up For Students</i>)
Sue Testaguzza	Tips for Improving Staff Morale
Tasheba Berry-McLearn	Stress Free Marketing Techniques
Observation, Screening, Evaluation and Assessment	
Alexandra Goldberg	How “Help Me Grow Florida” Can Support Your Work with Children
Beth A. Arthur	Anecdotal Note Taking in the Real World
Doris Brown	Power of Observation in an Early Childhood Classroom (<i>Teaching Strategies</i>)
Karina Soto, M.Ed.	Eng: Early Identification: What Every Teacher Must Know and Be Able to Do Spn: Identificación Temprana: Lo Que Cada Maestro Debe Saber y Ser Capaz de Hacer
Doris Brown	Tools and Tips: Optimizing Your Support of Teaching Using GOLD® (<i>Teaching Strategies</i>)

Mercedes Delgado	Eng: Observation Tools in the Preschool Classroom Spn: Herramientas de Observación en el Aula Prescolar
Doris Brown	Using Child Assessment Information to Improve Outcomes for Children and Families (<i>Teaching Strategies</i>)
Sue Testaguzza	Observational, Interactive Assessments Using the Vine Assessments (<i>Life Cubby</i>)
Personal and Professional Development / Professionalism	
Amanda Moore, B.Ed. (Co-Presenter: Ana Roa, BS)	What's Your Point? Navigating Your Way Within a Group
Arleen Lambert	Quality in Family Child Care
Denise Bishop, M.A., M.S. (Co-Presenter: Lisa Roberts)	Voices from the Field: Personal stories about the impact of the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® Scholarship Program
Doris Brown	Individualizing Professional Development and Mentoring to Help Teachers Implement The Creative Curriculum® and GOLD® With Fidelity (<i>Teaching Strategies</i>)
Kathryn Schmidt	Training Requirements 101
Mary M. Stowers, Ed.D.	You Are a Gift! Lessons in Appreciation & Acknowledgement
Melissa Clements, Ph.D. (Co-Presenter: Denise Bishop, M.A., M.S.)	Professionalizing and Compensating the Early Learning Workforce: Impacts on Quality of Teacher-Child Interactions
Phyllis Kalifeh, Ph.D.	Advocacy and Public Policy in the Early Childhood Education Community
Raquel Munarriz Diaz, Ed.D. (Co-Presenter: Elizabeth Alvarez)	Early Learning Florida: Empowering Practitioners through Job Embedded Professional Development
Robin Hart	Taming the Dragon: How to Identify and Navigate Compassion Fatigue in Ourselves and Others

Traci Martin, M.S., CCC-SLP	Transforming Early Childhood Classrooms through a Professional Development Focus on Interactive Talk
Pre-K to Kindergarten Transitions	
Erika Hall (Co-Presenter: Melinda Webster)	It Takes a Village: Planning for the Transition to Kindergarten
Suzanne D. Adinolfi, Ph.D. (Co-Presenter: Melinda Webster)	Taking Off the Training Wheels: Facilitating Successful Transitions From Preschool To Kindergarten
Social Emotional Development	
Doris Brown	Building a Caring Community: Prioritizing Social–Emotional Competence Through Responsive Care and Intentional Teaching (<i>Teaching Strategies</i>)
Julie Mastry (Co-Presenter: Stephanie Hollar)	Kids - Let's ROCK Their World with IM4U. SEL Designed and Delivered Using Song, Fun, and Play!!
Ron Mohl	Building Active Social Emotional Skills (<i>Sunday, September 9: Closing Session - Lakeshore Learning Materials</i>)
Suzanne D. Adinolfi, Ph.D.	Building Firm Foundations: Supporting the Social and Emotional Development of Preschool Aged Children
Special Needs, Disabilities and Inclusion	
Andrea Dunckel	Making Sense of Sensory
Christine Bond	The Welcoming Preschool Classroom: Designing Opportunities for Learning for all Children
Keri Stacey	Benefits of Using American Sign Language in Early Childhood Classrooms
Tamatha Setzer, MA (Co-Presenter: Kerri Haycock)	Imagine Incredible Inclusion
STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math)	
Adrienne Shawn Donaldson	Recycling Trash to Learning Tools
Dr. Dawn Cross (Co-Presenter: Dr. Sharron Cuthbertson)	Making Engineering Fun and Developmentally Appropriate
Debby Mitchell	Full S.T.E.A.M Ahead!!

Jeff Whittaker	STEM, STEAM and 21st Century Block Play
Jessica Espinosa, Ph.D. (Co-Presenter: Christina Muelle, Ph.D. & Suzanne Cruz, Ed.D.)	Tinkering Together: STEM Challenges in the Kindergarten-3rd Grade Classroom
Kelly Dalsemer	D is for Digital: Age Appropriate Technology for the 21st Century Early Childhood Learner
Lauren Lee, Ed.S.	Using Children's Literature to Introduce, Implement and Ignite STEAM Curriculum
Nick Evens	Full STEAM Ahead: Space & Astronomy in the Early Childhood Classroom (<i>Kaplan</i>)

*Please note: This is a working list of conference breakout sessions.
Session titles, topic areas, and presenters subject to change.*

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