

2017-2018



Professional Learning at EASTCONN

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Greetings!

I'm very pleased to share with you EASTCONN's comprehensive catalog of regional professional learning offerings for 2017-2018. The workshops, councils and learning opportunities listed here are intended to inspire and inform our region's K-12, early childhood and technology educators as they strive to strengthen their practice and improve student outcomes. Educators and experts from across EASTCONN's Teaching & Learning, Early Childhood and Technology divisions will lead these sessions, but are also here to provide you with the customized, targeted programming that your teachers or districts require.

Please feel free to contact me anytime to discuss the many ways in which EASTCONN is poised to help you with your teaching and learning needs.

Scott Nierendorf, Director of Teaching and Learning

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If you have questions regarding registration, or have difficulty using the online form, call 860-455-1533, or e-mail conferenceoffice@eastconn.org.

Asbestos

2-Hour Asbestos Awareness

Training of custodial and maintenance workers is one of the keys to a successful operations and maintenance (O&M) program. New maintenance/custodial employees must have this training within 60 days of hire.

This two-hour Asbestos Awareness Training may include such topics as:

- Background information on asbestos
- Health effects of asbestos
- Worker protection programs
- Possible locations of ACM in a building
- Recognition of ACM damage and deterioration

Register for one of three dates:

Date: Dec. 20, 2017, April 12, 2018 or Aug. 3, 2018

Time: 8:30–11 a.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Maintenance Personnel

Presenter: Michael Akana **Fee:** \$75 (includes breakfast)

Register with dsylvestre@eastconn.org

Digital Learning

Eastern CT PowerSchool User Group

Join your peers from schools throughout eastern CT at EASTCONN's Conference Center for a PowerSchool User group meeting. Collaborate on best practices, see (and show off) must-have reports and add-ons and give feedback on desired PowerSchool improvements. Your requests and needs determine the agenda. Start with networking over lunch. Intended for key office and administrative users of PowerSchool as well as technical staff. Questions? Contact Linda Brock at EASTCONN, or Wendy Sonstrom at LEARN.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: District Data Specialists, Tech Planning Committee Members

Presenter: Linda Brock **Fee:** \$15 (includes lunch)

Date: Dec. 6, 2017 **Time:** 11:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Course #: 1725300106 **Register by:** 7/23/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14950>

PowerTeacher Pro & PowerSchool “What’s New”

PowerSchool's new PowerTeacher Pro gradebook is a game changer: it brings student performance to the forefront, gives even more support to standards-based grading, and is truly a cross-platform solution. As a part of PowerSchool 10, it includes new options for district-defined grading strategies and calculations. Experience how PowerTeacher Pro works from a teacher's perspective, learn how to configure traditional and standards grading functions at the district and gradebook levels, and discuss how to manage a successful transition from PowerTeacher Gradebook to PowerTeacher Pro.

Date: Aug. 10, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Administrators, Curriculum Directors, District Data Specialists, Principals, School Counselors, Teacher Leaders, Technology Directors

Presenter: Linda Brock

Fee: \$95

Course #: 1725300025

Register by: 8/8/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14837>



PowerSchool Data Entry Intensive for New Office Staff

Is your school starting the year with new staff in key office positions? Prepare them for the start-of-year rush with this full-day hands-on workshop covering key PowerSchool data entry, lookup and report functions. Includes student registration, revising the master schedule, enrolling students in classes, collecting demographic and State-required data, and managing day-to-day attendance, as well as standard data searches and reports.

Date: Aug. 18, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Support Staff

Presenter: Linda Brock

Fee: \$95

Course #: 1725300026

Register by: 8/16/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14838>

Discipline for State Reporting in PowerSchool

Learn how to correctly enter discipline incidents in PowerSchool to produce the State ED166 report and feed data to the federal CRDC report, including new fields added in 2017. Understand which types of incidents and consequences require reporting, and learn how to properly configure security settings and entry page layout to control entry and viewing. Discuss choices for optional records and the relationship between discipline and attendance rules.

Date: Sept. 8, 2017 **Time:** 12:30–3:30 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Administrators, District Data Specialists, Office Staff
Presenter: Linda Brock **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300029 **Register by:** 9/1/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14845>

Games & Productive Play in the Classroom

Discuss how to introduce elements of game play into all types of activities as an approach to increasing attention and productive time on task. Not strictly limited to the classroom, gamification is an approach to introducing goals, constructive constraints, economies and tokens into all learning contexts. Although packaged games offer some interesting options, the ability to recast learning goals as game goals specific to your context supports a best-fit solution. Come play with us!

Date: Oct. 5, 2017 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: All Teachers
Presenter: Christian Iamartino **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300036 **Register by:** 9/28/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14858>

Double Robotics & Usage

This video telepresence robot is an extension of the user; its Web-based control allows the user to drive an iPad on a wheeled robotic base and have live interactions with others, from anywhere in the world. Never miss a meeting, class or event with Double Robot! This session will cover basic operation of the robot and its potential for classroom or professional use.

Date: Oct. 12, 2017 **Time:** 2–3:30 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Administrators, Principals, School Counselors, Nurses
Presenter: Kerin Griffin **Fee:** None
Course #: 1725300038 **Register by:** 10/5/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14860>

EASTCONN Technology Council

A forum for district technology coordinators, technology integration specialists and teachers interested in using technology to enhance teaching and learning. Learn the latest information on state and federal technology initiatives with an opportunity to share resources and information with educators across the region.

Dates: Oct. 19, Nov. 16, 2017, Jan. 18, Feb. 15, Mar 15, Apr. 19, May 17, 2018
Time: 8:30–11 a.m. **Fee:** None
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: All Teachers, AP Computer Science Teachers, Data Analysts, Instructional Technology Specialists, Teacher Leaders, Technology Directors
Facilitator: Andy DePalma

Oct. 19 Course #: 1725300031 **Register by:** 10/18/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14850>

Nov. 16 Course #: 1725300032 **Register by:** 11/15/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14851>

Jan. 18 Course #: 1725300067 **Register by:** 1/17/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14893>

Feb. 15 Course #: 1725300068 **Register by:** 2/14/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14894>

Mar. 15 Course #: 1725300069 **Register by:** 3/14/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14895>

Apr. 19 Course #: 1725300070 **Register by:** 4/18/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14896>

May 17 Course #: 1725300071 **Register by:** 5/16/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14897>

Building Object Reports in PowerSchool

Learn how to use Object Reports to create advanced report cards, transcripts, basic standards-based report cards and both single-student and multi-record student information reports. Understand the differences between object reports, report cards and form letters. Explore some inexpensive 3rd-party tools to assist in report development. Bring some “starter projects” to work on in class.

Dates: Oct. 18, 2017 **Time:** 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: District Data Specialists, Technology Directors, Office Support Staff
Presenter: Linda Brock **Fee:** \$95
Course #: 1725300040 **Register by:** 10/11/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14860>



Minecraft: An Intro for Educators

Minecraft is a global phenomenon and one of the most popular video games of all time. An immersive first-person avatar-driven “sandbox” game, Minecraft offers a huge degree of player freedom. It is not uncommon for younger players to tell teachers and parents, “You can do anything you want” when asked about the game goals, leading to vast confusion among many adults as to what the game is about. This session is designed to provide a complete introduction to the game, from installation, play options, and shared play to an understanding of how game goals are adopted and achieved, through setting the stage for learning activities. A Windows or MacOS laptop is required for this workshop. Please bring your own device. Software installation will require the appropriate administrative rights on your laptop. If you are unsure, please check with your local IT support.

Date: Oct. 31, 2017 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: All Teachers **Presenter:** Christian Iamartino
Fee: \$45 **Course #:** 1725300041 **Register by:** 10/24/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14863>



FileMaker Pro - An Introduction

This course is the first in a series. Participants will learn how to build a new

database by defining fields and entering data; sort and locate records that match specific criteria in a database; and create multiple layouts in order to display database records to meet various needs, such as entering new records, printing mailing labels and more. Other topics include database design, tables, records and fields, properties of fields, lookup and relationships, value lists, relational relationships, layouts and reports, searching, import and export.

Date: Nov. 6, 2017 **Time:** 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Data Analysts, District Data Specialists, IT Specialists, Support Staff, Technology Directors
Presenter: Tom Schenking **Fee:** \$125
Course #: 1725300042 **Register by:** 10/30/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14864>



Introduction to PowerSchool Enterprise Reporting

Get started with PowerSchool’s powerful new Enterprise Reporting. Understand how to configure security for report users vs. report developers. Examine the pre-populated reports, and learn how to copy and modify them for your use. Explore some of the powerful filtering, grouping and aggregation tools.

Date: Dec. 8, 2017 **Time:** 8:30-11:30 a.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: District Data Specialists, Technology Directors
Presenter: Linda Brock **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300044 **Register by:** 12/1/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14866>



More PowerSchool workshops coming soon:

- Completing the CRDC Report Using PowerSchool
- PowerScheduler Build & Load Workshop
- Preparing Year-end State Reports in PowerSchool: the TCS (Teacher Course Student) & PSIS
- Standards Grading & Reporting in PowerSchool
- Your Summer with PowerSchool: End of Year to Start of Year

Minecraft – Environment Design

Minecraft provides a huge degree of freedom in goals and activities for its players, a major factor in its current success. That same creative freedom can give educators and parents the opportunity to design environments for learning, supporting beneficial constraints in activity. This session will guide participants through the process of designing multiplayer environments, and creating opportunities for rich interactions. This session requires prior knowledge of the game and a Minecraft player account, or prior completion of the Minecraft: An Introduction for Educators workshop. A Windows or MacOS laptop with Minecraft pre-installed is required for this workshop. Bring your own device.

Date: Dec. 8, 2017 **Time:** 1–4 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: All Teachers **Presenter:** Christian Iamartino
Fee: \$45 **Course #:** 1725300045 **Register by:** 12/1/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14867>

Google Apps Training

This course will teach you how to effectively set up and use Gmail, Google Calendar, Google Docs and Google Drive. Learn how to get a free Google account and set up for instant access to documents. Learn how to upload and use documents already created with Microsoft Office and how to share documents with colleagues, back up documents offline and edit without an internet connection.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Administrators, All Teachers
Presenter: Tom Schenking **Fee:** \$45/session
Date: Jan. 11, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Course #: 1725300103 **Register by:** 1/4/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14946>

Date: Jan. 18, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Course #: 1725300047 **Register by:** 1/11/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14869>

Chromebooks: An Introduction

Complete introduction to getting started with your Chromebook, including registering with Google (setting up your Gmail account), connecting to a wireless network and using the Play Store to install applications.

Date: Jan. 19, 2018 **Time:** 2:30–4 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: All Teachers
Presenter: Christian Iamartino **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300105 **Register by:** 1/12/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14948>



G-Suite Introduction

This course provides an in-depth hands-on workshop on Google apps for education that schools use the most. It will help teachers acquire knowledge of each product in order to help students excel inside and outside the classroom. Course will cover Google's full range of products for teaching and learning, allowing students/teachers to work and learn together anywhere, anytime.

Date: Feb. 12, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: All Teachers
Presenter: Tom Schenking **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300108 **Register by:** 2/5/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14952>

Web Content Management

Do you have ideas for your team's website? Do you want to have a better understanding of how content is created, maintained and updated on our website? Come learn some tips and tricks from Technology Solutions Web and Media Services Specialist for making sure your content is up-to-date and engaging.

Date: Apr. 2, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Administrators, All Teachers, Board of Education Members, Community Based Organization Staff, Comprehensive School Health Educators, Curriculum Directors, Data Analysts, Department Heads, Early Childhood Administrators/Directors, Food Service Staff, Guidance Professionals, Literacy Coaches, Occupational Therapists, Parent/Teacher Organizations, Physical Therapists, School Nurses, Staff Developers, Superintendents, Tech Directors
Presenter: Kerin Griffin **Fee:** \$25
Course #: 1725300110 **Register by:** 3/26/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14954>



Swivl Camera Overview & Usage

Swivl is an iPad dock that moves (swivels) with the presenter to capture presentations while the presenter is moving around the room. Learn how Swivl makes lecture capture an easy reality. Learn how to create an account, connect a device, record, edit and package a demonstration.

Date: Apr. 9, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: All Teachers, Department Heads, Early Childhood Administrators/Directors, Literacy Coaches, Staff Developers, Technology Directors

Presenter: Kerin Griffin **Fee:** \$25

Course #: 1725300111 **Register by:** 4/2/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14955>

Computational Thinking

An introduction to computational thinking in the classroom, this session covers current theory and practice, and the relevance of this approach to STEM instruction.

Date: Apr. 12, 2018 **Time:** 2:30–4 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Curriculum Directors, Mathematics and Science Teachers, Teacher leaders

Presenter: Andy DePalma **Course #:** 1725300113

Fee: \$45 **Register by:** 4/5/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14957>

Computer Science: Digital Logic and Decision Making

Computer science is taking on increasing significance in K-12, as evidenced by the CT State Board of Education's recent position statement. This course takes the next steps by taking participants from binary math through actual circuit implementation with integrated circuits. This is a great opportunity for those teaching robotics or other STEM instructors.

Date: Apr. 18, 2018 **Time:** 1–4 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Curriculum Directors, Mathematics and Science Teachers, Teacher leaders

Presenters: Andy DePalma, Christian Iamartino, Kerin Griffin

Fee: \$150 (includes all materials)

Course #: 1725300114 **Register by:** 3/11/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14958>



Cloud Storage in Personal Production

How do you choose which cloud storage is best for you? Learn about and compare Dropbox, Google Drive, OneDrive and iCloud. Find the best solution for your files and discuss what works (and doesn't work).

Date: Apr. 25, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Administrators, All Teachers, Curriculum Directors, Library Media Specialists

Presenters: Andy DePalma, Christian Iamartino, Kerin Griffin

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300116 **Register by:** 4/18/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14960>

VEX Robotics

This workshop will showcase the capabilities of VEX as a toolset to facilitate robotics development in the classroom. Learn about EasyC, ROBOTC and VirtualWorlds. The session will emphasize both hardware and software of these systems.

Date: Apr. 27, 2018

Time: 1–4 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

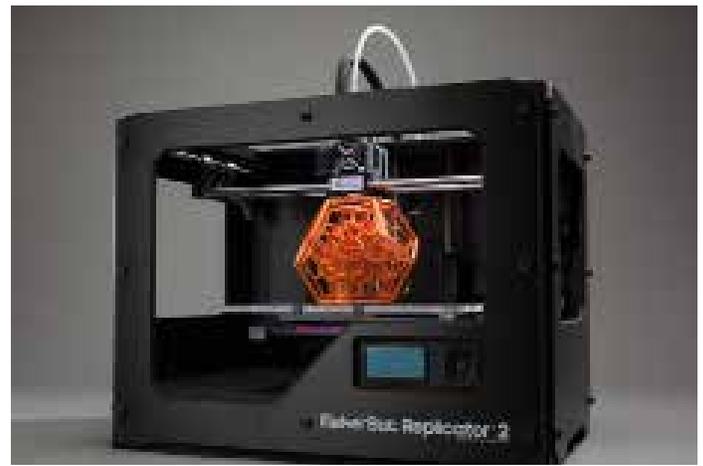
Audience: Administrators, All Teachers

Presenter: Christian Iamartino

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300117 **Register by:** 4/20/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14961>



3D Printing/Engineering Design

Learn how to use a 3D printer and discuss what can be done to improve your prints, the different types of materials you can use, etc. Tips and tricks will be shared! There will also be discussion on which software is available to engineer designs.

Date: May 10, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: All Teachers

Presenter: Tyler Davis

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300120

Register by: 5/3/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14964>

Google Admin & Chrome Management

Update on using Google Admin to administer Chrome devices and manage apps on a Google domain.

Date: May 21, 2018

Time: 1–4 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Instructional Technology Specialists

Presenter: Tom Schenking

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300122

Register by: 5/14/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14966>

iPad App Showcase

A showcase and roundtable discussion on various apps that can be used on the iPad. These apps can include but are not limited to: educational games, web browsers, video editors and more!

Date: May 3, 2018

Time: 1–4 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Administrators, All Teachers

Presenter: Christian Iamartino **Fee:** \$45

Course #: 1725300119

Register by: 4/26/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14963>

Migrating to a Google Domain

Thinking about switching to Google and Gmail instead of Microsoft Exchange? Learn how to migrate your existing domain to use Google for email and G-Suite for document creation, sharing and calendar functions.

Date: May 24, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Instructional Technology Specialists

Presenter: Tom Schenking

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300123

Register by: 5/17/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14967>

EARLY CHILDHOOD



Safety Precautions for Home Visitors

This course will educate and prepare home visitors for safety issues while in the field. Checklists prior to visits, precautions to take during and after visits and ideas to promote overall safe practice will be explored.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Share ideas for remaining safe in their practice.
- Develop a checklist of safety precautions.
- Learn methods that will help ensure their safety while conducting home visits.

Date: Oct. 6, 2017 **Time:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Administrative Offices, Hampton

Audience: Birth to 3, Early Head Start/Head Start Home Visitors

Presenter: Carolyn Stearns **Fee:** \$45

Course #: 1725300096 **Register by:** 9/29/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14939>



Supporting Social Emotional Competencies in Young Children Utilizing The Pyramid Model

This four-day workshop series will focus on supporting young children's social emotional competencies utilizing The Pyramid Model, created by The Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL), a national resource center funded by the Office of Head Start and Child Care Bureau for disseminating research and evidence-based practices to early childhood programs across the country. The workshops will build on the levels of the Pyramid Model with strategies to support all children's social and emotional well-being in the preschool classroom.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Promote children's success by building relationships and creating supportive environments.
- Develop social-emotional teaching strategies.
- Determine the meaning of challenging behavior.
- Develop a behavior support plan.
- Build leadership strategies for supporting children's social and emotional development and address challenging behavior.

Dates: Oct. 18, Nov. 29, 2017, Jan. 24, Mar. 28, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Administrative Offices, Hampton

Audience: Early Childhood Administrators/Directors, Paraprofessionals, Preschool Teachers

Presenters: Melanie Smith-Cervera, Anne Sousa **Fee:** \$380

Course #: 1725300028 **Register by:** 10/11/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14844>

Early Childhood Conference: Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences and Stress Reduction in the Workplace

The ACE Study considers the effects of childhood adversity on population health and well-being. Adverse childhood experience prevention is the greatest way to improve well-being and mitigate concerns of potential homelessness, depression and violence in the future. What can be done to build protective systems and promote resilience? Other conference sessions will focus on stress reduction for those who work with vulnerable populations.

- As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:
- Learn about the impact of trauma and stress on a child's brain development.
 - Discuss opportunities for building resilience during the early childhood years.
 - Become part of the problem solving in their community to address childhood adversity.
 - Create a network to foster self-healing in your community.

Date: Nov. 10, 2017 **Time:** 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Early Childhood Educators and Administrators, Family Service Staff, Health Care and Mental Health Care Advocates

Presenter: TBD **Fee:** \$95
Course #: 1725300097 **Register by:** 11/10/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14940>

Engaging Young Engineers

Young children are natural problem solvers and ready to find solutions to everyday problems. Intentionally design learning experiences that support science, technology, engineering and cognitive development of children in your class using a developmental continuum of thinking skills.

- As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:
- Engage in emergent engineering.
 - Design a well-designed problem that involves testing of ideas.
 - Explore the engineering design process that translates to engaged learning opportunities for children.
 - Gain an understanding of how to focus early childhood learning environments around the activity of problem solving.

Date: Dec. 1, 2017 **Time:** 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Kindergarten and Preschool Teachers
Presenter: Diane Gozemba **Fee:** \$95
Course #: 1725300098 **Register by:** 11/24/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14941>

An Overview of Special Education

What is special education? What is a PPT? What is an IEP? What is an IFSP? What is the difference between part B and part C of IDEA? What is your role as a provider? The answers to these and other questions will be addressed in this training. This training will address special education, what it is, what the law says, and roles and responsibilities related to the IEP/IFSP. Participants will gain an understanding of special education that they will be able to apply to their job. This session supports the criterion 6.A.12 (NAEYC accreditation).

- As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:
- Explore special education laws.
 - Learn the roles parents, children and educators have in the process.
 - Gain an understanding of the referral process.

Date: Jan. 10, 2018 **Time:** 12:30–3 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Early Childhood Administrators/Directors, Infant Toddler Teachers/Assistant Teachers, PreK Teachers, Paraprofessionals
Presenter: Sheri Lambert **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300099 **Register by:** 1/3/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14942>

Connecting with Families in Early Childhood Programs

The early childhood years are when parents first experience working with teachers to promote learning at home and school. Find out how to create meaningful experiences with families through parent meetings, home visits and volunteer opportunities that support the well-being of children. Learn how to creatively engage parents who may have difficulty participating.

- As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:
- Provide families with information related to child development.
 - Establish effective school-to-home and home-to-school communication.
 - Learn strategies that will help families' extend their children's learning at home.

Date: Feb. 9, 2018 **Time:** 9–11:30 a.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Audience: Kindergarten and Preschool Teachers
Presenter: Anne Sousa **Fee:** \$45
Course #: 1725300100 **Register by:** 2/2/18
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14943>

Promoting Self Regulation Through Your Classroom Environment

Self-regulation in young children looks like a child who is able to focus his attention, control his emotions and manage his thinking, behavior and feelings. The development of these self-regulation skills is a key factor for children to be successful throughout life. The classroom environment is an important component in supporting children's self-regulation. In this workshop, we will explore a current classroom environment and how materials, furniture arrangement and the use of visual mediators support self-regulation in young children. Participants should come prepared to reflect on their current classroom design and create a plan to make changes to promote self-regulation, allowing all children to be successful.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Gain an understanding of self-regulation and how the environment can support it.
- Learn how to develop a classroom environment that is responsive to the needs of all children.
- Reflect on their own classroom environments and create a plan for change.
- Identify how the environment affects children's self-regulation.
- Utilize their classroom environment to promote self regulation.

Date: Apr. 6, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Paraprofessionals, Preschool Teachers

Presenters: Melanie Smith-Cervera, Sheri Lambert

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300089

Register by: 3/30/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14932>



Culturally Responsive Teaching

Celebrate the past and imagine the future, by creating a shared vision for providing culturally responsive practices for children and families in your program. This session will encourage self-reflection on your current practices and peer sharing to learn new strategies that promote cultural competence. Participants will be provided an opportunity to explore an anti-bias approach to teaching and engage in open dialogue that can meaningfully impact your teaching practice.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Understand how personal experiences, biases, and values impact our work.
- Explore personal attitudes and beliefs about diverse children and families.
- Reflect on culturally responsive practices that build relationships with children and families.

Date: May 9, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Early Childhood Administrators/Directors/Teachers

Presenter: Diane Gozemba

Fee: \$95

Course #: 1725300102

Register by: 5/2/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14945>

Save the Date



5th Annual Infant/Toddler Conference at EASTCONN: Fostering Resilient Learners

Date: Mar. 23, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Administrative Offices, Hampton

Audience: Birth to Three, Related Services Staff (OT, PT, SLP), DCF workers, Early Head Start Home Visitors and Education Staff, Infant/Toddler Teachers, Administrators

Presenter: TBD

Fee: \$95

Course #: 1725300101

Register by: 3/16/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14944>

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Teachers of Reading Workshop & Teachers of Writing Workshop Community of Practice (K-8) Kick-Off Event (and additional dates)

A community of practice is a group of people who share a passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly. If you are passionate about Reading Workshop and want to continue to improve your practice and increase student achievement, join us for the kick off of the Teachers of Reading Workshop Community of Practice. This group is for you!

Audience: Kindergarten, Elementary, Middle School Teachers
Continental breakfast will be provided.

- As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:
- Reflect on their practice.
 - Collaborate on lessons.
 - Provide and receive peer feedback.
 - Share best practices.
 - Engage in new learning.
 - Analyze student work.

Kick-Off Events

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Presenter: Erin Powers-Bigler **Fee:** \$45/session

Teachers of Reading Workshop Kick-Off
Date: Oct. 3, 2017 **Time:** 8:30–11:30 a.m.
Course #: 1725300085 **Register by:** 9/26/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14918>

Teachers of Writing Workshop Kick-Off
Date: Oct. 3, 2017 **Time:** 12:30–3:30 p.m.
Course #: 1725300085 **Register by:** 9/26/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14918>

Teachers of Reading Workshop Community of Practice (K-8)
Dates/Time: Nov. 14, Dec. 12, 2017, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, Mar. 13, May 8, 2018, 8:30–11:30 a.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Presenter: Erin Powers-Bigler **Fee:** \$250
Course #: 1725300084 **Register by:** 11/7/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14917>

Teachers of Writing Workshop Community of Practice (K-8)
Dates/Time: Nov. 14, Dec. 12, 2017, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, Mar. 13, May 8, 2018, 1–3:30 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton
Presenter: Erin Powers-Bigler **Fee:** \$250
Course #: 1725300084 **Register by:** 11/7/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14919>

Columbia Teachers College Saturday Reunion: Bus Trip to New York City

Twice annually, Columbia Teachers College opens their doors to educators, and offers the gift of learning. Join your colleagues from around the world as they descend upon Columbia University to learn about reading/writing workshop instruction from Lucy Calkins and her senior Teachers College Reading and Writing Project leadership/staff developers. This fast-paced, awe-inspiring day begins at 9:00 a.m. with a keynote presentation in the magnificent Riverside Church, followed by over 100 mini workshops that will deepen your knowledge of the reading and writing process, enabling you to walk away with countless literacy strategies to implement immediately in your classrooms. Special sessions on creating the conditions for and leading the work of literacy are offered for administrators.



Bus Trip to Columbia Teachers College, 525 West 120th Street, New York City. In order to arrive on time, the bus will depart from the EASTCONN Conference Center parking lot at 5:15 a.m. Bring your coffee, a

bag lunch and dress comfortably. The conference is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. The bus will leave immediately following the conference at 3:00 p.m. and return to the EASTCONN Conference Center. The Conference is FREE to all educators; the \$45 fee is for bus transportation to and from New York City. If you have any questions about this event, please contact the EASTCONN Conference Office at 860-455-1533.

Date: Oct. 21, 2017 **Time:** 5 a.m.–7 p.m.
Location: EASTCONN Administrative Offices, Hampton
Fee: \$45 (for the cost of the bus)
Audience: Administrators, all teachers and curriculum leaders
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14937>

EASTCONN English Language Arts Council

EASTCONN's English Language Arts Council will provide a forum for area language arts teachers to come together and work collaboratively. Connecticut State Department of Education guest speakers, who can share information on current education developments, will be announced.

Location: EASTCONN Administrative Offices, Hampton
Audience: K-12 ELA Teachers, Literacy Coaches, Curriculum Leaders, Administrators
Fee: None

More information to follow.



Literacy Curriculum and Coaching Support

EASTCONN is excited to offer districts a unique opportunity to systemically implement a K-8 reading and writing workshop model of instruction. Included in this opportunity, our expert literacy consultants have unpacked Lucy Calkins units of study into a UBD curriculum format to assist districts in ease of implementation. This curriculum supports a balanced literacy approach and includes a written philosophy, curriculum map, standards aligned units of study and rubrics. We are offering this resource in conjunction with 10 days of instructional coaching support for implementation.

“A literacy coach is someone whose professional responsibility is to bring evidence-based practices into classrooms by working with teachers in one-to-one or small groups. A literacy coach partners with teachers for job-embedded professional learning that enhances teacher reflection on students, the curriculum, and pedagogy for the purpose of more effective decision-making.” - Cathy A. Toll, author, *The Literacy Coaches Survival Guide*

Shared Purchasing Option – For districts seeking to purchase reading and/or writing workshop libraries or resources, EASTCONN has established a shared purchasing opportunity with Heinemann on certain materials. Please contact Diane Dugas, Director, Center for Educational Leadership, for further information.

Instructional coaching to support implementation of UBD curriculum and Units of Study in reading and/or writing	Customizable menu of support to implement reading and writing workshop	Customized support for other literacy coaching and services K-12 is available upon request	Customized Administrator Coaching in the Leadership of Literacy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 days of coaching • Introduction to the workshop instruction • Curriculum overview • How to use the curriculum • Creating the workshop environment • Model lessons • Review and use of rubrics and checklists • Development process for unit assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to all services in column one, the following will build upon implementation by: • Specific training in grade level implementation • Providing co-planning and co-teaching opportunities • Reflection on implementation • Understanding learning progressions • Customized support development of mini-lessons and conferring with students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaching of coaches • Effective literacy strategies in the classroom • Literacy audits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literacy walkthroughs • Action planning • Budgeting • Professional literacy Learning for leaders
\$9,500 Reading or Writing \$11,500 Both Reading and Writing	Daily rate of \$800 A package of 5 days \$3,500	Per Diem Rate	Per Diem Rate

LEADERSHIP

Principal Coaching

Self-knowledge has long been established as one of the hallmarks of great leaders. As public leaders, we need to know ourselves so we can get the most from our colleagues and create effective teams. Leadership coaching opportunities through the Center for Educational Leadership provide an experiential and individualized leader development process that builds a leader's understanding of him/herself as a leader, strengthening their capability to achieve short- and long-term organizational goals. Through one-on-one and/or group leadership interactions, driven by data from multiple perspectives, and based on mutual trust and respect, the Principal and coach work in partnership to achieve maximum impact.

For further information, contact Diane Dugas, ddugas@eastconn.org, Director, Center for Educational Leadership.

Strategic Advancement Planning

Strategic Advancement Planning is a process that engages stakeholders in establishing a coherent pathway of progress for learning over a period of 3-5 years. Serving as a road map for decision-making, budget planning, communication and common purpose, the development of a District/School Advancement Plan uses the district vision and mission to identify goals and action steps that drive systemic focus.

If you do not have a plan or are coming to the completion of your current plan please contact Diane Dugas, ddugas@eastconn.org, Director, Center for Educational Leadership, for further information.

Regional Staff Development Council

This regional forum will address current initiatives, strategies and resources that contribute to school improvement. Connect with colleagues from other districts. Gain current information on CSDE and other state initiatives.

Dates: Sept. 14, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, 2017, Jan. 11, Feb. 8, Mar. 15, Apr. 12, May 10, 2018

Time: 8:30–10:30 a.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Facilitator: Scott Nierendorf

Audience: Curriculum Leaders, Principals, Staff Development Specialists, Lead Teachers

Register with fgrist@eastconn.org

New Principal Induction Series

Are you a first year principal or new to a district in the region? Join other Principal colleagues to network as you maneuver through the joys and challenges of your first year. Together we will address the balance of day-to-day management and big picture planning/action of leadership.

We will take a deeper dive into the reality of the role by addressing the following:

- Transforming School Climate and Culture into a Growth Mindset
- Inspiring Teachers
- Increasing Practical Communication Strategies
- Prioritizing your Focus
- Budgeting Strategically
- Understanding Soft Politics
- Managing the Day-to-Day Events
- Establish Professional and Personal Balance

Dates: Sept. 7, Oct. 12, Dec. 14, 2017, Feb. 15, Apr. 5, 2018

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: First year principals, or new principals to the school

Presenter: Diane Dugas

Fee: \$225

Course #: 1725300090

Register by: 8/31/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14933>

Principal Community of Practice

“Great leaders inspire people around them to reach extraordinary levels of performance.” - Lyle Kirtman, 2014.

Understanding your leadership style and its impact on others is the first step of this journey. Principals are invited to come together to form a community of practice centered on understanding how their leadership style influences others. Together we will address the complexities and challenges of the change process and how leadership styles play a role in the process. Time will also be structured to apply knowledge of your style to your day-to-day practice and challenges.

Three (3) additional future meeting dates will be determined by the participants.

Dates: Sept. 12, 2017 and 3 additional meeting dates (TBD)

Time: 9–11 a.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Principals

Presenter: Diane Dugas

Fee: \$225

Course #: 1725300091

Register by: 9/5/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14934>

Science/STEM/Math

Aligning your Science Curriculum to the Next Generation Science Standards

Participants will learn techniques to redesign their science curriculum while reviewing shifts and changes brought on by the Next Generation Science Standards. In addition, participants will be given techniques that will allow them to evaluate current science curriculum for NGSS alignment and ways to adjust curriculum to ensure it is NGSS aligned. Participants will be expected to bring sample science curriculum documents

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Understand the curriculum shifts and changes in NGSS.
- Identify methods to evaluate current science curriculum.
- Learn methods to align current curriculum with NGSS.
- Collaborate with other science educators.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: All Teachers, Curriculum Directors

Presenter: Stacey Williams-Watson **Fee:** \$95/workshop

Offered Twice:

Date: Sept. 19, 2017 **Time:** 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Course #: 1725300056 **Register by:** 9/12/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14879>

Date: Dec. 6, 2017 (snow date 12/12) **Time:** 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Course #: 1725300057 **Register by:** 11/29/17
Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14880>

Mathematics Principles to Actions

Using the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) *Principles to Actions* along with select PD modules from The Mathematics Assessment Project, participants will learn how to actualize the Common Core State Standards (CCSSM) by creating rich learning opportunities in their classrooms. The goal is to promote discussion about current practices and how these could change to promote deep mathematical thinking and problem solving skills.

“To truly meet the demands of the Common Core State Standards it is not sufficient to simply revise the list of mathematical content covered in the curriculum. The Standards’ emphasis on Mathematical Practices requires students to be able to think mathematically, and apply the techniques they have learned to rich problems in diverse contexts. Achieving this requires changes in the way mathematics is taught and assessed in most schools.” <http://map.mathshell.org/pd.php>

Each participant will receive a copy of the NCTM’s *Principles to Actions*.

Dates: Sept. 22 & Oct. 20, 2017 **Time:** 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Middle & High School Teachers

Presenter: Patricia Susia **Fee:** \$215

Course #: 1725300063 **Register by:** 9/14/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14886>

EASTCONN Science Council

EASTCONN’s Science Council provides area science teachers and anyone interested in science with a forum for sharing and learning about emerging trends and practices in science. Practitioners share best practices and EASTCONN staff provides current information on curriculum, assessment, effective instruction and updates to the NGSS transition. Outside education and science experts attend regularly to share important information. The EASTCONN Science Council offers district science teachers the opportunity to come together in a collaborative forum to share information and effective practices, and network with colleagues from throughout the region.

Dates: Sept. 13, Nov. 29, 2017, Jan. 10, Mar. 21, May 16, 2018 **Time:** 1–3 p.m. **Location:** EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Administrators, Principals, Science Teachers

Facilitator: Stacey Williams-Watson

Fee: None

Sept. 13 Course #: 1725300058 **Register by:** 9/12/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14881>

Nov. 29 Course #: 1725300059 **Register by:** 11/28/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14882>

Jan. 10 Course #: 1725300060 **Register by:** 1/9/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14883>

Mar. 21 Course #: 1725300061 **Register by:** 3/20/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14884>

May 16 Course #: 1725300062 **Register by:** 5/15/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14885>

EASTCONN Math Council

EASTCONN's Math Council provides a forum for area math teachers to come together around emerging trends and practices in mathematics. Practitioners share best practices and EASTCONN staff provide current information on curriculum, assessment and effective instruction. Often featured are Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) guest speakers, who share information on current education trends and developments. *Specific meeting information for all dates will be announced.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Administrators, Curriculum Directors, Department Heads, Elementary & Mathematics Teachers

Presenter: TBD

Fee: None

Date: Sept. 27, 2017

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Course #: 1725300072

Register by: 9/26/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14899>

Date: Nov. 30, 2017

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Course #: 1725300073

Register by: 11/29/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14900>

Date: Jan. 18, 2018

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Course #: 1725300074

Register by: 1/17/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14901>

Date: May 10, 2018

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Course #: 1725300075

Register by: 5/9/18

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14902>

Enhancing Science Literacy (Connecting NGSS and Literacy CCSS)

Participants will employ instructional strategies to enhance the skills students need to think, read and communicate like a scientist.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Learn strategies to help students access and interpret science text.
- Learn strategies to help students learn how to communicate with precision and clarity.

Date: Oct. 24, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Curriculum Coordinators, Elementary Teachers, Science Team Leaders

Presenters: Stacey Williams-Watson, Erin Powers-Bigler

Fee: \$95

Course #: 1725300050

Register by: 10/17/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14872>



Mobile STEM Lab Teacher Training:

Are you interested in having the EASTCONN Mobile STEM lab come visit your school? Sign up now for this unique training experience. You will learn everything you need to know to work with your students on the lab; including NGSS connection, curriculum and links to resources. Sign up now for discounted lab visits thanks to the sponsorship of SUEZ.

Audience: Administrators, Curriculum Leaders, Kindergarten, Elementary and Science Teachers, Principals, Science Team Leaders

Presenter: Stacey Williams-Watson **Fee:** None

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Grades K-2

Curriculum options: K-2: Effects of sunlight, living or non-living, force and motion, ecosystem

Date: Sept. 25, 2017

Time: 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Course #: 1725300051

Register by: 9/18/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14874>

Grades 3-12

Curriculum options: Wildlife sampling, watershed, biodiversity, climate change; intro to robotics, heredity and adaptation, feeding the hungry, waste water treatment, erosion and deposition, ecosystem, igloos, clean energy, forensics.

Date: Sept. 26, 2017

Time: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Course #: 1725300052

Register by: 9/19/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14875>

Grades 6-12

Curriculum options: Waste water treatment.

***Location:** Killingly Wastewater Treatment Plant, Danielson

Date: Sept. 28, 2017

Time: 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Course #: 1725300053

Register by: 9/21/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14876>

STEMify or STEAMify Your Classroom

Participants will learn how to implement inquiry based STEM curriculum in their classroom.



As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Learn strategies to incorporate STEM in the classroom.
- Learn strategies on how to plan for STEM learning.
- Spark student interest in STEM related careers.
- Obtain sample STEM NGSS aligned lessons.

Date: Nov. 14, 2017 (snow date: 11/28)

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Curriculum Directors, Kindergarten, Elementary, Middle and High School Teachers

Presenter: Stacey Williams-Watson **Fee:** \$95

Course #: 1725300054 **Register by:** 11/7/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14877>

Regional P.D.



Yoga and Mindfulness in The Classroom: Tools to Improve Self-Regulation, Learning and Classroom Climate

Through the framework of — Noticing, Mindful Choice, Practice, Reflection, Integration — you will learn how to empower your students and yourselves with increased self-awareness, the foundation for the development of skills of self-regulation and cognitive control. You will recognize signs of imbalance, and will have the confidence and skills to effectively implement 67 yoga and mindfulness-based activities, specially chosen for their suitability for the typical classroom space and schedule. This means all activities can be done standing beside or sitting at desks, while hands and bodies remain off the floor, away from dirt, germs and chemicals. Yoga 4 Classrooms is easy for teachers, students, parents and therapists to use, and helps to create a more harmonious, learning-friendly school day. This fun and informative workshop will relax and inspire the adults in your school community while preparing them to share the program with their students. Absolutely no yoga experience is required. In fact, participants are encouraged to wear regular, comfortable clothing and flat-soled shoes to the workshop as we'll be simulating a classroom experience.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Understand the neuroscience of stress, the symptoms, and how it affects learning and behavior.
- Learn 67 simple, classroom-friendly yoga and mindfulness techniques to support self-awareness, self-regulation, social and emotional learning, and resilience.
- Improve classroom management while supporting students individual needs, cultivating a positive, peaceful, productive classroom climate.

Date: Nov 7, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Administrative Offices, Hampton

Audience: All Teachers, Health Educators, Occupational Therapists, Physical Education Teachers, Physical Therapists, Related Service Providers, School Wellness Team Members, Speech and Language Pathologists

Presenter: Emily Rosen

Fee: \$119

Course #: 1725300064

Register by: 10/24/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14888>

Using Stories to Explore Creativity in the Elementary Music Classroom

Every music teacher knows the power of a good story. They engage students, promote literacy and can be a jumping off point for students to explore their own creativity. This workshop will immerse participants in stories and how to use them to encourage musical creativity. We will look at a variety of books for the elementary grade levels and experience different musical activities that incorporate musical skills and creativity.

Participants are asked to bring a storybook to share and a laptop/tablet. We will choose 4-5 books to focus on in the afternoon session. We will be building and presenting musical activities for each of the focus books. Participants will have a copy of the activities sent to them digitally after the workshop.

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Explore strategies to expand creativity through stories.
- Connect with other music educators in the region.
- Contribute to a regional collection of activities for elementary music educators.

Date: Nov 7, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Location: UCONN School of Fine Arts

Audience: Department Heads, Music Teachers, Teacher Leaders, PreK, Kindergarten and Elementary Teachers

Presenters: Kathy Adams, Cara Bernard, Joe Abramo

Fee: \$45

Course #: 1725300023

Register by: 10/31/17

Register: <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14834>

Save the Date

Best Practices in Supporting Special Populations: Breaking Down Barriers to Learning

EASTCONN Psychological & Behavioral Consultation Services will host their first full-day conference on supporting students with special needs!

With more than a dozen sessions and panel discussions across a full day, speakers will present on topics including: trauma-informed classroom supports, strategies for maximizing academic engagement, overcoming challenges when implementing interventions, critical features of effective behavior support plans, supporting students with ASD in inclusion settings, maximizing outcomes for students with ADHD, special topics in neuropsychology, and many more...! Save the date! Additional information on specific strands and sessions will be available in summer 2017!

As a result of taking part in this workshop, participants will:

- Gain knowledge and skills in breaking down barriers to learning for students with special needs.
- Engage in hands-on activities to support application of concepts.
- Collaborate with colleagues across the region in working together to maximize student success.

Date: Oct. 10, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Special Educators, School Psychologists, Social Workers, Counselors, Related Service Providers

Presenters: PBC Staff

Course #: 1725300023

Register by: 10/3/17

REGISTRATION OPEN SOON:

<http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14890>

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SAVE THE DATE
Wednesday, November 1, 2017 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT

Personalized Learning: Future or Fad?
A full day Think-shop!

This conference is designed to challenge participants in their understanding about personalized learning, to create opportunities for conversation to learn about and critique if (or how) personalized learning fits your district's vision and mission. Participants should bring their ideas and questions to join important conversations.

Audience: Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents, building leaders, and teachers



EASTCONN Arts Learning Council

EASTCONN's Arts Learning Council will provide a forum for area arts teachers to come together and work collaboratively to promote creativity and link learning through the arts as a mechanism to engage all students. Teachers from the following disciplines: art, music, and drama are invited to participate. The focus will be how to integrate your discipline into the curriculum in your schools and connect to the arts organizations in your communities to enhance programming. Connecticut State Department of Education guest speakers, who can share information on current education developments will be announced.

Location: EASTCONN Conference Center, Hampton

Audience: Art, drama and music teachers

More information to follow.

**Have an idea to suggest
for professional development?
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