



Olympic Peninsula Association for the Education of Young Children

invites you to our 18th Annual

“Building for the Future”

EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE

Co-sponsored by the Peninsula College Early Childhood Education Program

Saturday, March 10, 2012

8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

5 hours of S.T.A.R.S. or Clock Hours Credit

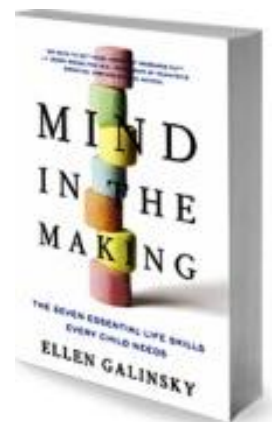
at Peninsula Community College in Port Angeles, WA

FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER... LESLIE MEISNER

Mind in the Making: Up Close and Personal



Have you read the research-based best seller, ***Mind in the Making: The Seven Essential Life Skills Every Child Needs*** by Ellen Galinsky, a former NAEYC president? This session will be a “teaser” to introduce you to the first couple chapters in this “must-read” for early learning providers. You will come away with an understanding of some of the “soft skills” that Galinsky describes in her book, as well as current research that supports the importance of these skills.



STARS COMPETENCY: Administration / Professionalism / Family Systems

OPAIEYC CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

One Registration form per person. This form may be duplicated if additional copies are needed.

Name _____ Evening phone _____

Mailing Address _____
Street City State Zip

Email _____ Current OPAIEYC Member: yes no

Would you like a registration conformation emailed to you? (You must provide email above) yes no

Would you like email invitations to upcoming OPAIEYC events? (one-six emails yearly) yes no

S.T.A.R.S./M.E.R.I.T. ID #: _____ NAEYC Membership #: _____

Please go to merit.del.wa.gov to update your information and get your **STARS/MERIT ID #**. You MUST provide your **STARS/MERIT ID #** at each workshop to receive **STARS** credit.

Workshop Hostess:

Want to ensure a spot in your favorite workshops? Be a workshop hostess!

Strait Workshop Choices

(1) _____

(2) _____

Mountain Workshop Choices

(1) _____

(2) _____

(Duties include: helping attendees sign in, assisting the presenter as needed, and introducing the presenter.)

Please answer these questions to help us serve you in the future.

How did you find out about this conference?

Received brochure via USPS

Received brochure via email

Newspaper

Other _____

I've been to this conference _____ times.

My PRIMARY position is...

Lead teacher/provider

Assistant teacher/aide

Adult instructor/trainer

Director/Administrator

Support service provider

Student

Parent

Other

My PRIMARY area...

Infant/toddler

Preschool

Kindergarten - primary

Head Start or ECEAP

School age

Parent Ed or Family support

Other:

CONFERENCE FEES:

All conference attendees who register by February 24th will receive a personal copy of *Mind in the Making* by Ellen Galinsky

FULL DAY RATE- CHECK ONE:

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|------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> OPAIEYC or WAEYC member | \$45.00 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non- Member | \$65.00 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student (minimum 6 credits) | \$40.00 | _____ |

HALF DAY RATE - CHECK ONE

Keynote Session ONLY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> OPAIEYC or WAEYC member | \$25.00 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non member | \$40.00 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student (minimum 6 credits) | \$20.00 | _____ |

OR

Afternoon Workshops ONLY

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> OPAIEYC or WAEYC member | \$25.00 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non member | \$40.00 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student (minimum 6 credits) | \$20.00 | _____ |

Early Bird discount (Postmarked by Feb. 24th) - \$5.00 _____

Per Purchase Order \$10.00 _____

AMOUNT Enclosed: _____

Check here if you will need a receipt (for STARS reimbursement or other purposes). Receipts will be available at the Conference.

* No refunds after February 24th, however someone may attend in your place.

Registration form must be postmarked by
February 24th for Early Bird discount

Mail registration & check or money order (payable to OPAIEYC) to:

Attention: Vanessa Bentley

OPAIEYC Conference

P.O. Box 193

Port Angeles, WA 98362

Have you been thinking about joining OPAEYC?

Olympic Peninsula Association for the Education of Young Children (OPAEC) Membership includes affiliation with the Washington Association for the Education of Young Children (WAEYC) and the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

Who joins OPAEYC?

Teachers, child care providers, directors, Head Start personnel, home school educators, and parents....

Benefits include the bi-monthly award-winning NAEYC journal, *Young Children*.

Join today and save \$20 on the cost of the full day conference and save on upcoming workshops and trainings!

You can join or renew your membership online at www.naeyc.org or fill out the short application below, just include the additional membership dues and mail it in with your conference registration.

Name: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Check One: New Membership Renewal Membership ID Number (if known) _____

Choose the Membership Option Best for You

- Regular Affiliate Member** = \$50/yr
- Student Affiliate Member** = \$38/yr
(currently enrolled in a professional preparation program)
- Comprehensive Affiliate Members** = \$85/yr
(includes 6 free NAEYC books during the year)

You may submit this form, with the appropriate dues amount, with your conference registration **or** any time to:

Attention: Vanessa Bentley
OPAEC
P.O. Box 193
Port Angeles, WA 98362

Important Conference Notices:

- **Continental Breakfast** will be available before the Keynote.
- There is **no pre-registration** for the workshops. Each workshop will be on a first come first seated basis until each room is full.
- Lunch is included with paid registrations postmarked on or before February 24th.
- Confirmation will be sent if email is provided on conference registration form. (Please indicate on registration form if you will need a receipt at the conference).
- **Bring your STARS/MERIT ID number with you to the conference**
- OSPI Clock Hours sign-up will take place at the conference.
- **NO** refunds after February 24th, but another person may attend in your place.
- Child care will not be available.
- Workshops are subject to cancellation.
- Any questions..... email us at opaeyc@gmail.com

Vendors

Vendors will be available throughout the day.

- **Creation Station**
arts, crafts & science supplies
- **Creative Development Products**
- **Kilimanjaro Imports**
baskets, instruments, jewelry
- **Tim Lowell's Tumbled Glass Works**
- **Lakeshore Learning Supply**
catalogs, coupons and door prizes
- **Lady Vala Jewelry**
- **Discovery Toys**
- **Dungeness Kids**
- **Our Creative Minds, Inc.**
- **Usborne Books**
- Plus More!!!!

While OPAEC entertains and accepts differences of opinions, we do not necessarily endorse the products or views presented.

No person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical handicap, be unlawfully excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in any way pursuant to this conference.

Be prepared to stock up on supplies for use with children and/or just get something nice for yourself (you deserve it)!

Please be respectful to our workshop presenters and only shop during breaks & meal.

☺ Thank You! ☺



EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE

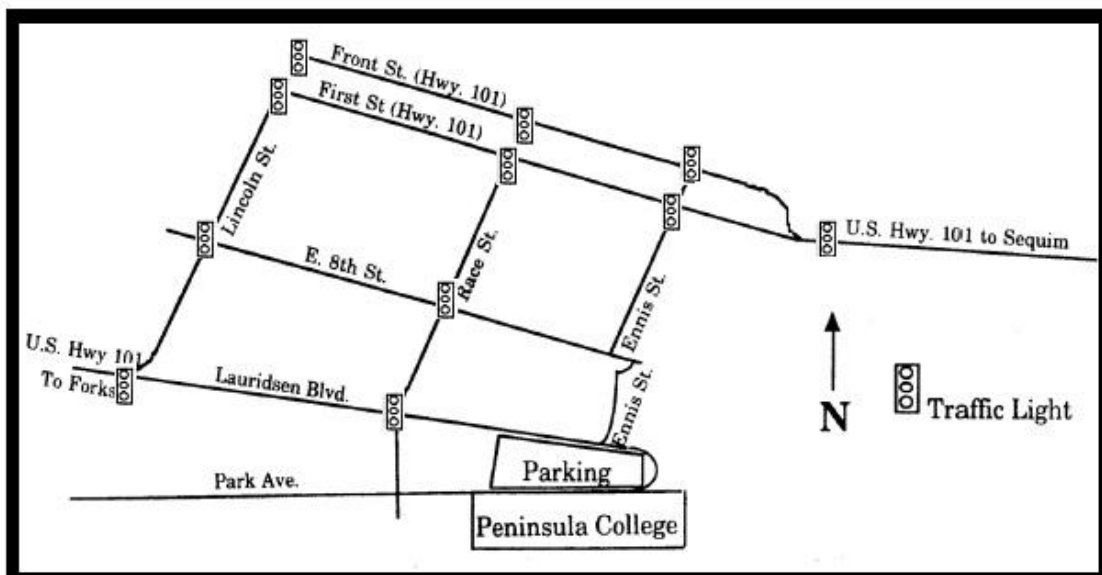
A conference for people with an interest in the education and development of young children and their families, including people who work in child care centers, family child care homes, Head Start, ECEAP, preschools, primary grades and school age child care programs.



Schedule: Saturday March 10, 2012

- 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.** **REGISTRATION** including OSPI Clock Hours
Student Union Building at Peninsula College (“the PUB”)
Complimentary continental breakfast will be served.
- 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.** **VENDORS OPEN**- Keegan Hall (Science & Technology Building)
sign up for door prizes
- 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.** **KEYNOTE ADDRESS** by **Leslie Meisner**
Mind in the Making: Up Close and Personal
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** **BREAK / Visit Vendors/ Networking**
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** **LUNCH** – Student Union Building
Complimentary lunches for all who register by February 24th
- 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** **STRAIT WORKSHOPS**
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.** **BREAK / Visit Vendors/ Networking**
- 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.** **MOUNTAIN WORKSHOPS**
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** **VENDORS OPEN** - Keegan Hall (Science & Technology Building)
- 4:30 p.m.** **DOOR PRIZE WINNERS**
Pick up prizes in Student Union Building (PUB)

8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sat. March 10, 2012 Peninsula College 1502 E. Lauridsen, Port Angeles, WA



Driving directions to Peninsula College: From Highway 101, turn south on Ennis St. Follow up to the top of the hill where you will find the college parking lot. Registration will be in the Student Union Bldg. (PUB).

Strait Workshop Choices ~ 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

You do not pre-register for the Workshops

Each workshop will be on a first come, first seated basis until limit is reached.

All workshops have a 20 participant limit unless otherwise indicated.

Use this chart to plan your workshop choices. Bring this page with you to the conference.

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Strait Session 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.			

1. Considerations on Implementing Mind in the Making with children and families, focusing on chapters 3-7.

Panelist's: Susan Lynch-Ritchie, Jane Berry, Amity Butler, Sudie Mason, Barbara Clampett, Eddie Bowlby and Christine Spaulding

A Panel Discussion: Experienced local ECE educators assess "Mind in the Making" recommendations and discuss further ways to consider and implement the development of these seven life skills. All have had hands-on experience working with young children.

STARS Competency: Child Growth, Development & Learning

2. Inspiring Creativity, Self-Confidence, and Social/Emotional Health by Integrating Free Play, Nature and Science Into a Child's Day.

Two sessions long

Presenter: Ann Chihan

We will explore, through hands-on activities and group discussion how nature and science go hand in hand with free play. Participants will learn how to nurture a child's sense of wonder and understand the important connection between child development, free play and nature. Participants will be able to share with parents its developmental benefits. We will be going outside, please wear comfortable clothing and be ready to play!

STARS Competency: Environmental Design / Child Growth, Development & Learning

3. Mosaic Art with Tumbled, Recycled Glass

Presenter: Tim Lowell

Unleash your creativity and inspire your students to do the same! Make and take home two mosaic glass coasters using tumbled safe (no sharp edges) recycled stained glass.

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- Discover how to present this wonderful tactile project to children
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- We will discuss age appropriate approaches to art and the nurturing of creativity in children

\$3.00 materials fee collected upon sign in at workshop

STARS Competency: Curriculum Development

4. Media Literacy Basics / TV: Treasure or Trash

Presenters: Lynn Ziegler and Linda Kennedy

An introduction to Media Literacy and fostering critical thinking in parents, teachers, and children. The U.S. has more homes with 2 televisions than two parents. TV is teaching the children. We encourage parents and caregivers to watch with their children and talk about what they see.

STARS Competency: Child Guidance / Family Systems / Cultural & Individual Diversity

5. Math for the Earliest Learners: Building Math Concepts into your Interactions and Experiences with Infants and Toddlers

Presenter: Cressie Byerley

Math is more than counting; it includes patterns, measurement, geometry and spatial sense, as well as numbers. This workshop will give you user-friendly ideas for introducing math concepts into your everyday routines and experiences with the infants and toddlers in your care, and ways to increase children's math vocabulary.

STARS Competency: Child Growth, Development & Learning / Curriculum Development

6. Rocking Resources

Presenter: Jennifer Knight

Looking for fresh ideas for circle times and planning curriculum? Learn about some of the resources out there to help you plan both online and at the library. Youth Services Librarian Jennifer Knight will share some ideas about how to promote books and reading with your group. Be ready to sing and share ideas in an interactive, rowdy presentation!

STARS Competency: Professionalism / Curriculum Development / Child Growth, Development & Learning

7. The ABC Workshop - Activating Brain Cells - Child's Play

Presenter: Joy Knight

Through a child's play, learning happens! New ideas for literacy, science, math and art curriculum will be discussed. Participants will be able to describe to parents and administrators what the children are really learning while they are having fun and exploring the materials. This will be a hands-on experience. You will make and take 4 or more projects that you will be able to use in your classroom the very next day.

\$6.00 materials fee collected upon sign in at workshop

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1. Nurtured Heart Approach

Presenter: Carmen V. Pitkin

Nurtured Heart Approach is a curriculum of greatness – to support and nourish all children. This approach was originally designed to help families help their “difficult children” better adapt to school and family life, however it works beautifully to foster inner strength, higher achievement, happiness, security and exemplary conduct in every child. It is not just another “positive” approach for parents and educators designed to improve behavior. Rather, it’s a method of recognizing and appreciating the gifts each child possesses, plus a generous dose of grace. This approach equips any child to handle difficulties with security and self-confidence; to discriminate between right and wrong; and to ask for and accept any help they may need – all while maintaining their ability to express their individuality and unique strengths.

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CONTINUATION FROM STRAIT SESSION

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5. Art and Science for Infants and Toddlers.....Really!

Presenter: Joy Knight

In this session, participants will explore many ways to incorporate science and art into the infant/toddler classroom. Learn how to make science and art a time of genuine learning that matches your students’ developmental abilities. What is “science” to a young child? How do we create appropriate “art” experiences for this age group? Come and explore these two cognitive areas in a hands-on approach – the only way young children “learn”.

\$6.00 materials fee collected upon sign in at workshop

STARS Competency: Child Guidance, Environmental Design, and Curriculum Development

6. Financial Planning & Retirement Savings for Child Care Providers and ECE Program Managers

Presenter: Lori Fredrick

Meet with Lori to discuss saving for the future and retirement (someday!) in whatever work you do but especially ECE. Learn about Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA’s), Simple IRA’s, Self Employment Plans (SEP’s), ROTH Accounts and The Biz Plan.

STARS Competency: Administration

7. NSC 3C for Effective Learning and Teaching

Presenter: Nina Smith

3C is a tool for effective learning and teaching. It stands for cognitive, constructive, and cooperative learning, and will help you empower students to become autonomous learners.

STARS Competency: Child Growth, Development and Learning and Curriculum Development



2012 OPAEYC Conference Presenters

OPAIEYC would like to give a special thanks to this year's amazingly talented conference presenters and panelists. We could not do it without you!



Jane Berry, M.A.

Peninsula College, Assistant Professor of Education



Eddie Bowlby

Forks Hospital Mental Health Services Children & Family Outreach Manager



Amity Butler, M.A.

Principal, Franklin Elementary
Master of Arts in Teaching, University of Puget Sound
National Board Certified Teacher, Early Childhood Generalist



Cressie Byerley

OlyCAP Early Head Start Child Development Coordinator, OPAIEYC Board Member



Ann Chihan

Parent Line – LCSNW



Barbara Clampett,

Retired Director of Peninsula College's Child, Family and Education Programs



Lori Fredrick

An independent tax preparer & is a IRA Specialist at Strait View Credit Union



Linda Kennedy

Award winning and Emmy nominated broadcast journalist



Jennifer Knight

Youth Services Librarian at North Olympic Library System



Joy Knight

Consultant for Creation Station and an ECE instructor at Everett Community College



Tim Lowell

Bainbridge Island Arts Education Consortium



Sudie Mason, M.S.

Child Development and Montessori certification



Carmen V. Pitkin

Nurtured Hearts and a Nurtured Pathways trainer and Head Start Teacher Assistant



Susan Lynch-Ritchie, M.Ed.

Former Public School Teacher, University/Lab School Instructor, Child Care Center Director. Current Family Child Care Preschool Provider, OPAIEYC Board Member



Christine Spaulding, B.A.

Certified Teacher at Five Acre School, Montessori trained for Preschool and Elementary Education



Nina Smith

Olycap Head Start as a Child Development Coordinator



Lynn Ziegler

Taught public school & community college before and has worked as a news writer for two ABC Television affiliates

Look in your packet you receive upon sign in for more information about our presenters.



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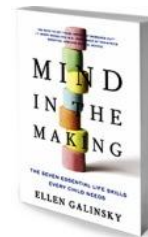
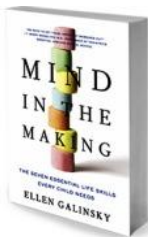
FEATURING:

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- ◆ 14 Dynamic Workshops

HURRY! Early Bird discount registration deadline is February 24th!!

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Featured Presenter.... Leslie Meisner

Leslie Meisner is a former WAEYC President and facilitated the first webinar on ***Mind in the Making: The Seven Essential Life Skills Every Child Needs***. She also presented this session at the WAEYC Conference in October 2011.

She has an M.Ed in Early Childhood Curriculum and Instruction from UW, and is currently the Director of Head Start and ECEAP in Tacoma Public Schools.

Don't miss out! Send in your registration now!