

## Teaching Through Intentional Play

Great Rivers Chapter of WECA is excited to be presenting Super Saturday: Teaching through Intentional Play. This year's conference will take place on **Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 8:00am until 2:10pm** at the Viterbo University Nursing Center. The conference will feature a keynote speaker and three breakout sessions. Doors open at 8:00am. Lunch is provided.

Early Registration by **February 23, 2018:**

\$20 student  
\$30 NAEYC/WECA Members  
\$40 Non-Members

Registration after **Feb. 23, 2018:**

\$25 students  
\$40 NAEYC/WECA Members  
\$50 Non-Members

**Space is limited so register early!**  
**No refunds will be provided.**

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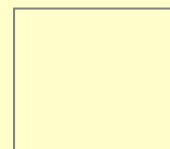
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**Saturday**  
**March 24, 2018**  
**8:00am-2:10pm**





## Schedule

- 8:00am - 8:30am Registration
- 8:30am - 9:45am Keynote Speaker
- 9:55am - 10:55am Session One:
- Alice Training
  - Infant/Toddler Environment
  - Preschool/4K Environment
- 11:05am - 12:05pm Session Two:
- Letter of the Week
  - New twist on Math
  - The Intentional Teacher
- 12:15pm - 1:00pm Lunch/Table Topics
- 1:10pm - 2:10pm Session Three:
- Yoga for kids
  - Gardening with Kids
  - Director's Round Table

### Keynote Speaker: Michelle Powell & Jocelyn Buxton

Elementary teachers, Jocelyn Buxton and Michelle Powell, are ready to show you fun ways to keep your students engaged while building relationships and community within your classroom. With all that is going wrong with the world, recognizing the positivity in our children's lives is more important than ever before. They will show you that celebrating children's success and achievement is as easy as throwing confetti!

### ALICE Training

La Crosse Police Officer Christopher Schuster along with UWL Child Care Director Dawn Hays will present the ALICE philosophy which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate. This training will provide instruction and techniques which can be used by any age, gender, and ability. The ALICE system will show you best practices people can easily recall, in order to buy time in the event of an active threat, until law enforcement can arrive on scene.

### Infant /Toddler Environment

Learn how to promote learning through play in an Infant/Toddler Environment. In this session you will come away with ideas to enhance your classroom environment. Strategies, activities and materials will be shared with discussion about how to incorporate learning through play with very young children. Presented by Kim Amundson, UWL one year old teacher.

## Sessions

### Preschool/4K Environment

Children learn best by engaging in activities that they find meaningful. Learn how to embed learning objectives through play in all of the areas of the classroom. Discover how to enhance your classroom environment to encourage learning to occur through play. Tracy Hagen, Onalaska 4k teacher will educate and entertain you!

### Letter of the Week

Join Mother/Daughter team, Patti Fellenz (Gundersen 4K) and Michelle Powell (Harry Spence 4K) to learn fun ways to teach the letter of the week in a way children will never forget. Bring your creativity and thinking caps!

### New Twist on Math

Learn simple, inexpensive and engaging ideas for activities that early educators can use to help young children deepen their understanding of mathematical concepts. Diane Eickmeier, Early Education Program support Teacher (CESA 4) will share a variety of activities that can be easily incorporated into daily routines. Participants who aren't crazy about math will leave this session feeling excited, confident and inspired with this "new twist" on math instruction.

### The Intentional Teacher

As early childhood educators, we are required to have distinct, measurable goals for the children we serve and a checklist of milestones they need to meet. We also know that each child is an individual who may learn at a different pace and in a different style than his or her peer group. Join Nicole Schabow, Gundersen Child Care Supervisor and former Youngstar Consultant, to learn how to help each child thrive within the systematic approach to early childhood learning and enjoy those teachable moments.

### Yoga for Kids

The practice of yoga is not only for adults, but it is extremely beneficial to children, who also have busy schedules. Zen and Pow Yoga will show how you can incorporate yoga into your program simply by teaching the basics of mindfulness, breathing, and working into poses and playing yoga games. These elements of yoga help children create mind body awareness, calm and confidence on and off the mat. We can all learn to breathe, let go, and have fun doing yoga!

### Gotta Dig It!: Gardening With Kids

Work or play-gardening with children is truly rewarding. Join Sue Wrobel, former UWL child care Director, for a wealth of ideas for incorporating gardening into your program.

### Director's Round Table

This is an opportunity for Directors and Administrators to network, problem solve, and share with each other. This session will be chaired by Kim Gorka, Director Children's Palace. Topics can include but not limited to dealing with a staffing crisis while motivating your current staff, illness prevention and education, policy enhancements, and drug use and how it affects our children. All topic ideas are welcome. Please email yours to ms.kim@childrenspalacepreschool.com

## Sign-up Form

In order to sign-up for each session please mark the number 1 through 3 by each topic, with 1 being your first choice. Please do this for each session.

### Session One:

- \_\_\_ Alice Training
- \_\_\_ Infant/Toddler Environment
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- \_\_\_ Yoga for Kids
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- \_\_\_ Director's Round Table

### Check Lunch Choice:

- \_\_\_ Chicken Caesar Wrap
- \_\_\_ Veggie Wrap
- \_\_\_ Ham and Swiss Sandwich

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Check box if you wish to receive an email confirming receipt of registration.

**Please return this registration form and payment by February 23, 2018. Check must be payable to Great Rivers Chapter of WECA.**  
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