



Promoting Early Childhood Conference
 March 3-5, 2020
[K1 Convention Center](#)
 333 Main St, Green Bay, WI 54301

Main Conference Agenda at a Glance

<https://dpi.wi.gov/early-childhood/pec-conference>

<i>Time</i>	<i>Wednesday, March 4, 2020</i>	<i>Location</i>
8:00-9:00	Registration <i>Hot Breakfast Buffet: Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes & Bacon</i> <i>Vegetarian: Oatmeal, Brown Sugar, Raisins, Honey & Yogurt</i>	Ballroom A
9:00-9:15	Conference Orientation: Welcome and Opening <i>Sherry W. Kimball, DPI</i>	Ballroom A
9:15-10:45	Keynote Presentation: For the Love of Children! Why Adult Development Matters <i>Susan MacDonald, MEd, Inspiring New Perspectives</i>	Ballroom A
10:45-11:00	Break <i>(coffee & tea stations)</i>	
11:00-11:30	WI DPI State Superintendent: Remarks <i>Carolyn Stanford Taylor, DPI State Superintendent</i>	Ballroom A
11:30-12:30	Lunch <i>Marinara Chicken over Penne/Garlic Breadstick</i> <i>Vegetarian: Vegetable Pasta Primavera</i> Book Signing with Susan MacDonald (12:00)	Meeting Room B
12:00-5:00	Exhibits Open Courage to Explore & PlaySpace Learning Exhibit Open	Ballroom A Meeting Room 7

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12:30-1:45 Breakout Sessions	Keynote Break Out <i>Susan MacDonald, MEd, Inspiring New Perspectives</i>	Ballroom A
	Articulating DAP Beyond a Handout <i>Lisa Jones, 4-C Madison</i>	Meeting Room 1
	Creating a Transformational Partnership Between a Wisconsin School District and a Theoretically-Based Early Childhood Curriculum: Implementation, Collaboration, and Data-Driven Decision Making <i>Leslie Pekarek, Gillett School District</i>	Meeting Room 2
	Cultural Humility as a Path To Equity <i>Jenna Finley, The Registry</i>	Meeting Room 3
	Learning Continues AT Home: Building Partnerships With Families <i>Bev Schumacher, Learning Props</i>	Meeting Room 4
	You Gotta Have Friends: Using Peer Mediated Strategies to Support the Development of Friendship <i>Julie Betchkal, WI Alliance for Infant Mental Health</i> <i>Carissa Kusilek, Baldwin-Woodville School District</i>	Meeting Room 5AB
	Play Based Learning Approaches <i>Katie Robertson, West Allis West Milwaukee School District</i>	Meeting Room 6AB
1:45-2:00	Break (no snack)	
2:00-3:15 Caucus Connections (By Role)	Technical Assistance (Consultants, Coaches, State Personnel) <i>Sherry W. Kimball, DPI, Jess Nichols, DPI</i>	Meeting Room 1
	Teachers (Child Care, Head Start, 4K, 5K, First Grade, etc.) <i>Tiffany Swain, CESA 5</i>	Ballroom A
	Special Education <i>Jenny Bibler, DPI & Michelle Ogorek, CESA 1</i>	Meeting Room 5AB

	Administrators (Coordinators, Directors, Principals, etc.) <i>Jennie Mauer, WHSA</i>	Meeting Room 6AB
3:15-3:30	Break (no snack)	
3:30-4:45 Breakout Sessions	Universal Design for Learning in Early Childhood Settings <i>Sue Erickson, CESA 12</i> <i>Catherine Daentl, CESA 5</i>	Meeting Room 1
	Unlock the Mystery of Registry Training and Training Approval <i>Christine Moldenhauer, The Registry</i>	Meeting Room 2
	Science: It's All About the Wondering! <i>Dr. Jennifer Koel, Waukesha County Technical College</i>	Meeting Room 3
	Trauma Informed Practices: Fostering a Child's Resilience Through Proactive Approaches <i>Sara Jane Lee, Stoughton Areas School District</i>	Meeting Room 4
	Stepping Back: Using Video and Photos to Document Children's Learning <i>Carol Spoehr, One City Schools</i>	Meeting Room 5A
	Supporting Families with Intention: Using the PIWI Model to Promote Responsive Relationships <i>Amber Carlsrud, Barron Area School District</i> <i>Julie Betchkal, WI Alliance for Infant Mental Health</i>	Meeting Room 5B
	Play-Based Kindergarten <i>Sherrie Stanczyk, Sara Fischer & Karen Salienko, Stevens Point Public School District</i>	Meeting Room 6AB
4:45-5:45	Topical Tapas: <i>Family Involvement</i> <i>Assessment</i> <i>DAP from birth-K5!</i> <i>Outdoor education</i> <i>Social-Emotional Learning</i> <i>Equitable & Inclusive Education</i> <i>Practice-Based Coaching</i> <i>WECCP Northwest Region</i> <i>WECCP Northeast Region</i> <i>WECCP Southern Region</i>	Hotel Atrium

Time	Thursday, March 5, 2020	Location
8:00-9:00	Hot Breakfast <i>French Toast w/blueberry sauce, syrup and sausage links</i> <i>Vegetarian: Tofu Scramble with Fruit Cup</i>	Ballroom A
8:00-2:00	Exhibits Courage to Explore & PlaySpace	Ballroom A Meeting Room 7
8:45 9:30	Keynote Presentation: Mirrors, Windows, and Sliding Glass Doors: A Look at Identity <i>Tamara Mouw, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction</i>	Ballroom A
9:30-9:45	Break (no snack)	
9:45-11:00 Breakout Sessions	Teaching Play: Strategies for Teaching Play when Play Doesn't Come Naturally <i>Heather Luecke & Ellen Kassel, School District of Waukesha</i>	Meeting Room 1
	Building Reflective and Supportive Communities to Support your Youngest Learners <i>Jenny Durand, WI Alliance for Infant Mental Health</i>	Meeting Room 2
	Early Learning in the Digital Age <i>Janice Mertes & Chad Kliefoth, WI Department of Public Instruction</i>	Meeting Room 3
	Our Journey with PTR-YC <i>Jennifer Willoughby, School District of Superior</i>	Meeting Room 4
	The Power of PLAY in a 4K/5K Looping Classroom <i>Cathy Boldger, Walworth Joint School District #1</i>	Meeting Room 5A
	New Approaches to Math in a 4K Program <i>Pam Kugi & Sarah Hapeman, Sheboygan Areas School District-Early Learning Center</i>	Meeting Room 5B
	All Students Socially and Emotionally Competent: Supporting Development Through Play **Double Session <i>Amy Alt, WI Department of Children and Families</i>	Meeting Room 6AB

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11:00-11:15	Break (<i>snack-pretzels, chocolate and soda</i>)	
11:15-12:30 Regional Networking Meetings	Northeastern Region <i>Tiffany Swain, CESA 5</i>	Ballroom A
	Western Region <i>Joanna Lickel, CESA 5</i>	Meeting Room 1
	Northern Region <i>Jess Nichols, DPI</i>	Meeting Room 3
	Southern Region <i>Sherrie Stuart, DCF</i>	Meeting Room 5AB
	Southeastern Region <i>Nicole Aldworth, CESA 2</i>	Meeting Room 6AB
12:30-1:30	Lunch <i>Smoked Turkey Sandwich, Cheddar Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato, Soup and Chips</i> <i>Vegetarian: Grilled Vegetable Wrap & Soup</i>	Ballroom A
1:30-2:45 Breakout Sessions (Continued on next page)	Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) Toolbox for Young Children Promoting Social Emotional Competence for Our Youngest Learners <i>Jen Kalis & Michelle Powell, La Crosse Schools</i>	Meeting Room 1
	The Importance of Play in 4K: Using the ECERS-3 to Boost Play-Based Learning Environments <i>Sherry Stuart, WI Department of Children and Families</i> <i>Jenny Sweeney, 4-C Madison</i>	Meeting Room 2
	Mathematize Your Class: A Collaborative Research and Professional Learning Series <i>Kathryn Boonstra, Center for Research on Early Childhood Education & Madison Education Partnership</i>	Meeting Room 3
	Connecting With Families through School-to-Home Nature Activities <i>Nicole Filizetti, LEAF/Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education</i>	Meeting Room 4

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1:30-2:45 Breakout Sessions	Meaningful Play: Look at Me Learning! <i>Terryl Wheelock, 4C For Children</i>	Meeting Room 5AB
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Conference Center Map

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Main Street

