The 2020 Preserving Early Childhood Conference is an Early Childhood Collaborative Event in its 17th year sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

Conference Goals:
To provide opportunities for professionals to network, strengthen leadership skills, and learn ways to promote and implement play and developmentally appropriate practices in the early care and education field.

Who Should Attend?
Early childhood leaders from schools, child care, Head Start, home visiting, environmental education and other related programs and services such as: principals, 4K coordinators, special education directors, program support teachers, school board members, child care directors, Head Start directors and coordinators, professional development trainers, community teams, Early Childhood faculty at two- and four-year colleges.

Main Conference (March 4-5, 2020)
Keynote Feature Content:

Inspiring Professional Growth by Susan MacDonald, MEd, addresses the need for offering nurturing and empowering professional development. This book provides leaders with a framework to create a system that supports teachers throughout their careers.
Breakout Session Topics

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Pre-Conference Sessions (March 3, 2020): Two-All Day Sessions

1. **Nature-Based Education:**
   Spend a day with fellow colleagues learning about how nature-based education can support learning for young children. *More information coming soon!*

2. **Inclusive Education: The Ability to Learn Together:**
   *Wisconsin DPI, Early Childhood Special Education Team*

   This pre-conference session will provide interactive and reflective learning opportunities for teams to deepen their understanding of inclusive education. Participants will examine and enhance how programs, classrooms and activities are developed and designed so that **all** students participate and learn together. Schools, districts and programs are encouraged to attend as teams if possible.

PEC Registration Information: *Live Registration Coming Soon!*

- **Pre-Conference only** (3/3/20)  $100
- **Main PEC Conference only**, two days (3/4/20 & 3/5/20)  $200
- **Pre-Conference and Main Conference**, three days (3/3/20-3/5/20)  $250

*Note: Participants may not register for two days and choose to attend the Pre-Conference and only one day of the Main Conference. Two-day registration is for the Main Conference only.*

For questions about the conference, contact Sherry W. Kimball

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