

April- June 2022

Montana Preschool Teacher Education: April 5 - May 24th, Tuesdays 6-9pm (In Person)

The primary goal of the Montana Preschool Care Giver Course is to provide instruction and active learning experiences for teachers of three-five year olds in both centers and home-based early childhood settings. The skills for working with young children are presented in 13 easily readable fact-filled chapters. Throughout the course one will conduct self-assessment checklists, observations on children, review of the NAEYC Code of Ethics, and other assignments as given by the instructor. This course is worth 60 approved training hours and 4 college credits. Active participation in this course will enhance preschool teacher's knowledge, skills, dispositions and attitudes as well as build competency in fundamental early childhood practice. This course can be taken for 4 college credits through the University of Montana Western or Flathead Valley Community College.

Register Here: <https://www.mtecregistry.mtecp.org/register.aspx?evid=515001>

Circle of Security in the Classroom (In Person): April 23 and 30, 9am - 1pm

Incorporating evidence based research in attachment and developmental psychology to enhance and support the development of self-direction and persistence in learning situations. Increase cooperation and reduce conflict with peers. Decrease caregiver work-related stress by increasing their ability to support children's socio-emotional development.

Register Here: <https://www.mtecregistry.mtecp.org/register.aspx?evid=515445>

Program Management Essentials: (Zoom) May 26th, 1 - 4pm

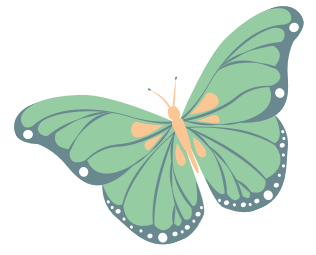
This course introduces new providers to the statewide agencies and programs in Montana that support quality early care and education programs. The course also includes information on program quality. Topics include licensing requirements, child development, curriculum, environments, guidance, family partnerships and professionalism.

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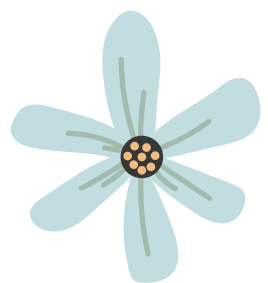
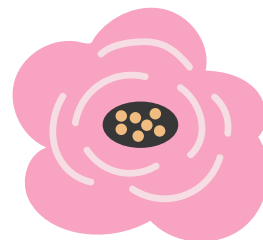
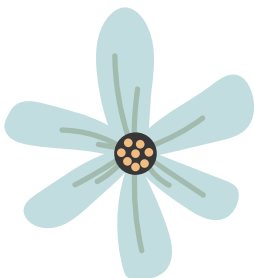


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You're
Invited!

Join us for our quarterly training day on **May 21st** at Kootenai Valley Head Start. We will be offering 4 hours of FREE training to all who attend.

Topics and Time TBD



PK-K-PLC 2022

A Professional Learning Community for Early Childhood Educators Pre Kindergarten through Kindergarten

WHO: Preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten Directors/Principals, Educators, Education Students, and Support Staff

WHAT: A professional learning community who will discuss hot topics for educators of this age and stage. Meeting will be facilitated by Eliza Thomas and anyone working within the PreK-K band is welcome to attend. For the meetings and the topics discussed we will focus on:



- ✓ What do we want students to know, understand and be able to do?
- ✓ How will we teach them? What strategies, activities, etc. will we use?
- ✓ How will we know when they've learned what we wanted them to learn?
- ✓ What will we do when they already know it and/or when they don't know it yet?

You may attend one or both of the evenings as you'd like. OPI renewal units and Early Childhood Credits will be offered. PIR hours may count for Kindergarten teachers (check with your individual district for confirmation of hours acceptance).

WHEN:

March 3rd (Thursday) - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. via Zoom (breakout rooms will be used)

- What's new? What's the same?
- Week of the Young Child 2022
- What are hot topics in early childhood education? What are some problems? What are some possible solutions?
- What professional development has been most meaningful lately? What would you like to see in the future?
- Discussion about transitions moving forward.
- For the Good of the Order.

April 28th (Thursday) - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. via Zoom (breakout rooms will be used)

- What's new? What's the same?
- Teaching children about big transitions (i.e. Prek to K, K to 1st, "school" to "summer")
- Reflection on Week of the Young Child
- Supporting Literacy for Young Learners (connection to Northwest Montana Reading Conference - August)
- Fall Conference Partnership (MTAIEYC)
- For the Good of the Order.

WHERE:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://fvcc.zoom.us/j/94440251953?pwd=b1JQeHFRZFFeYiRNZ2VmOHU0R1o5dz09> Meeting ID: 944 4025 1953
Passcode: 587718 One tap mobile +16699006833,,94440251953# US (San Jose)

WHY: To create a collaborative community for smooth early childhood transitions and network with colleagues.

HOW: RSVP by emailing Eliza Thomas ethomas@fvcc.edu, hop onto Zoom on the night(or, for those on PIRnet, sign up on PIRnet).

Pediatric First Aid CPR AED

Current First Aid and CPR cards are required for all individuals working in licensed programs. The Nurturing Center offers this course through the American Heart Association as a hybrid. Individuals will take the online course work and register for a skills session through The Nurturing Center front desk. You must complete both parts of the course to receive your completion certificate (your Pediatric/Adult CPR/FA card). You will need to complete the Pediatric CPR/FA online course, including ALL optional modules (adult CPR/AED) and then bring the completion form to their skills test. Once both components have been completed, instructors will assign the accepted card to the participant.

Access Online Course Here:

<https://elearning.heart.org/course/777>

In Person Class Dates:



Wednesday, April 6th:

6 -7pm

Wednesday, May 11th:

6 -7pm

Wednesday, June 8th:

6 -7pm

