

THE SEMINAR SERIES

The Wayne State University College of Education is pleased to present this seminar series regarding issues related to innovative early childhood education theory, philosophy and practice, including the Reggio Emilia educational philosophy. This year, the series will focus on Reggio-inspired approaches to literacy development. It is our hope to offer continuing education to professionals in all areas of early childhood education. SB-CEUs are available for those attending all three seminars of the series.

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

8-9 am	Registration/Continental Breakfast
9-10:15 am	Presentation-Part 1
10:15-10:45 am	Large Group Discussion/Q&A
10:45-11 am	Break
11 am-12 noon	Presentation-Part 2
12-12:30 pm	Small Group Discussion
12:30-1 pm	Large Group Discussion/Q&A

SEMINAR LOCATION & PARKING

Wayne State University is located just north of downtown Detroit, easily accessible from all major highways. Maps and directions are available on the Wayne State University website [www.campusmap.wayne.edu]. All three seminars will be located at the Wayne State Student Center, which is located on Reuther Mall on the Main Campus. Participants can park in Parking Structure #2, just a short walk from the Student Center. Parking Structure #2 is located on Anthony Wayne Drive, where the visitor's entrance requires \$3.50 in bills or coins.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

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THE SEMINAR SERIES SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 24, 2009

"Literacy in the Social Constructivist Classroom"

Speaker:

Pam Oken-Wright

Teacher, Consultant & Author

St. Catherine's School, Richmond VA

Participants will have an opportunity to think about the juxtaposition of their literacy programs with their beliefs about children and learning, and with the rest of their practice. Are they consistent? In addition to touch points that will help participants assess this consistency, the presenter will offer many examples of ways in which teachers can offer early literacy experiences consistent with the social constructivist model of teaching and learning. Participants will leave the session with strategies and an image of possibilities for their own classrooms.

Saturday, February 6, 2010

"Nurturing Young Thinkers and Writers"

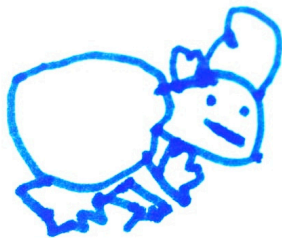
Speaker:

Matt Glover

Consultant & Author

Cincinnati OH

Young children's remarkable thinking can be seen in their writing when adults honor children's approximations and support children's images of themselves as writers. However, educators often struggle to find ways to meet external academic and literacy expectations while supporting thinking, inquiry, discovery and wonder. Through the use of video clips and samples of student writing, this presentation will examine key beliefs and understandings about young writers and thinkers, and will make connections between developmentally appropriate, effective early literacy practice and practices inspired by the educators in Reggio Emilia.



Saturday, April 17, 2010

"Story Workshop: Infusing the Arts into Oral and Written Language Development"

Speaker:

Susan MacKay

Teacher Researcher

Opal School, Portland Children's Museum, Portland OR

The preschool and primary teachers at Opal School of the Portland Children's Museum use a structure they call Story Workshop to support their research with children into the power of the arts to nurture and strengthen oral and written language. Susan MacKay will present stories of their experiences as they have engaged in this joyful and meaningful approach to literacy instruction. She will address such questions as: What connections are to be found between literacy and the arts? How is the workshop guided and supported by teachers, children, parents and the environment? What roles do materials play in supporting children as authors of their own ideas? How does a focus on story support the development of reading and writing in the primary grades? What can happen when children engage in a playful inquiry with words and images, and are supported to wonder together as a learning community? What can words do?



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REGISTRATION FORM

Cost: \$65 U.S./one seminar
 \$175 U.S./all 3 seminars

Student Cost: \$50 U.S./one seminar
 \$130 U.S./all 3 seminars

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- 10% discount for North American Reggio Emilia Alliance members (NAREA website: www.reggioalliance.org)
- No refunds
- SB-CEUs applicants required to sign in and out at all three seminars

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