



# 2011 Dartmouth Winter Workshops

**Dartmouth Workshops are held Wednesdays from 7:00 pm—9:00 pm at 21 Woodlawn Rd. NSCC Akerley Campus, Dartmouth (unless otherwise specified)\*\***

## Activities at Your Finger Tips (Extra \$5.00 materials charge)

This workshop will focus on helping you organize and prepare high-interest, developmentally appropriate activities that can be pulled out at a moments notice. We'll explore the value of having "practical life" experiences and other hands-on learning materials organized on trays, and in bags, so that they are readily available throughout the day. We'll explore how these activities can be adapted for a variety of ages. You'll leave this workshop with a handful of great ideas and an activity to take away and get you started.

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**February 2, 2011**

## \* Creating Child Care Settings to Support Social-Emotional Development

Note  
location

In this workshops participants will look at early childhood environments and think about how physical and non-physical elements of the space can be modified to support the social-emotional development of the children who spend time there. Topics discussed will include tips for placing furniture, routines and expectations that support socialization and emotional regulation, teacher relationships, and atmosphere. **\*\* (NSCC Waterfront Campus)\*\***

**Cathy Ramos** works for NSCECE as the Director of the Mawio'mi Child Care Centre, a College lab school. In addition, she teaches classes part-time at the College and is currently a student in the Masters of Child & Youth Studies at MSVU.

**March 2, 2011**

## Preschool Dramatic Play: Much More Than Housekeeping

Dramatic play is about more than a kitchen corner and dress-up clothes. This workshop will highlight the development of dramatic play in young children and show how you can adapt and prepare dramatic play experiences for various ages. In this workshop participants will broaden their focus and change their planning for dramatic play so that it is based on designing for experiences. Let your creativity lead you and the children on new adventures.

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**March 16, 2011**



This one-day training addresses how educators can use everyday conversations, play, and daily routines to promote children's communication and social development. Learn to meet the needs of all children including those with language delays. (This training is a prerequisite for Let Language Lead the Way; and Fostering Peer Interaction).

### **Teacher Talk: Encouraging Language Development**

#### **Presenter:**

Brenda MacKay, Speech Language Pathologist

**Sat. March 5, 9:00—3:30**

NSCECE, 6208 Quinpool Road, 2nd Floor

**\$65 includes workbook (Bring a bag lunch)**



### **Let Language Lead the Way to Literacy**

ECEs play a crucial role in preparing children for school as they lay the foundation for the development of reading and writing skills. This training focuses on the important links between oral language development and literacy.

**Sat. April 2, 2011, 9:00—3:30**  
NSCECE 6208 Quinpool Road,  
2nd Floor, Halifax

#### **You will learn to:**

- Help children develop positive attitudes toward print
- Choose books that match the children's interests and stages of development
- Use book reading as a time for interaction and conversation

**Presenter:** Brenda MacKay is a speech-language pathologist. Brenda teaches the Hanen Program, *Learning Language and Loving It*

**Must have  
"Teacher  
Talk" to  
register!!**

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workbook  
(bring a bag lunch)**

All questions regarding equivalency accreditation should be directed to the Nova Scotia Department of Community Services at 424-3207.

Workshop fees are non-refundable. A voucher will be issued if the College is notified of cancellation by 4:00 pm the Friday before the scheduled workshop date. Non-attendance does not constitute cancellation.

Registration is only accepted with a payment. Write down the date and title of the workshop(s) you wish to attend, and forward with payment to NSCECE. You will be notified if your workshop is full or is cancelled for any reason.

To register, forward payment of \$35 per workshop to:

Nova Scotia College of Early Childhood Education, 6208 Quinpool Road. (2nd Floor) Halifax, NS B3L 1A3, 423-7114 Ext.227

# Look for the workshop symbol

The college offers a wide variety of workshops each year to help meet the diverse professional development needs of people working in early learning and child care settings.

It is our belief that people at different stages of their career look for different types of professional development opportunities and are interested in different types of conversations about their work. Look for these symbols on our workshop schedule to help you decide if a workshop fits your stage of development.



**Budding:** Just starting your career in early childhood education? These workshops are designed to meet your early needs and to prepare you for the challenges that lie ahead.



**Advancing:** Growing in your career? Past the basics? These workshops provide advanced training for maturing early childhood educators, which will reinvigorate you and motivate you to climb a little higher.



**Master:** These workshops are designed to challenge seasoned early childhood educators who have a rich background in ELCC. You'll dig deeper and find new and innovative information for your maturation and skill level.



**Something here for everyone.**

Of course, these symbols are just a guideline. We hope they are helpful to you as you make your choices. We look forward to your suggestions and feedback about our workshops to help us fine tune programming for the next term. Please call 423-7114 Ext.227.

Nova Scotia College of Early  
Childhood Education—Student  
Success Services

902-423-7114  
Ext. 224

## ECE JOB FAIR

Call or mail to  
reserve a table  
for your  
organization

[studentsuccess@nscece.ca](mailto:studentsuccess@nscece.ca)



Wednesday,  
February 9, 2011,  
3:30—5:30  
Our students are  
waiting to meet you!

**Mail to:**  
Barbara Rowe,  
Nova Scotia  
College of Early  
Childhood  
Education,  
6208 Quinpool  
Road (2nd  
Floor), Halifax,  
NS B3L 1A3

### HOW DO WE KNOW WE HAVE A QUALITY PROGRAM?

A full day introduction to the **ECERS-R** (Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale - Revised), **ITERS-R** (Infant-Toddler Environmental Rating Scale - Revised) and The School Aged Environmental Rating Scale. We will look at the basic principles of what makes quality childcare, and at why using **ECERS-R**, **ITERS-R**, and/or **SACERS** can help us achieve quality. We will give an overview of the terminology used, the scales and how to score them with a little video practice. People involved with Family Child Care may also find this interesting and useful if they want to use the Family Child Care Environmental Rating Scales—Revised.

**Presenter Elizabeth Hicks** has been working in child care for 25 years. She currently works as an independent consultant and supports early childhood practitioners in thinking about their programs and their goals for children.

**Saturday, January 22, 9:00–3:30, NSCECE 6208 Quinpool Road**      **Cost: \$50.00 (Bring a Bag Lunch)**



### Is every child included yet?

This workshop will examine the Inclusion Scales — Principles and Practices used in quality programs to achieve full inclusion for all children. We will define inclusion, look at some practices that work well, examine attitudes and beliefs as well as learn about the scales - terminology, how to score them, and look at some examples of inclusion in action.

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**Saturday, February 12, 9:00–3:30, NSCECE 6208 Quinpool Road**      **Cost: \$ 65.00 includes Inclusion Scales Book (Bring a Bag Lunch)**

The College will accept in-person debit or credit card payments, in addition to cash or cheque. Resource Centre individual members receive a \$5 workshop discount; organization members receive two workshop vouchers. There is a \$10 fee to replace a lost certificate. There is a \$25 fee for NSF cheques. Please contact Carrie Melsom, Resource Centre Coordinator, 423-7114 ext. 227 with questions, comments, or concerns about this workshop series.