**Northwest Connection Family Resources**

**Virtual Spring Rural Conference with Angel Stoddard**

**March 2021**

Angel Stoddard, MS is driven by a deep belief that all leaders (and teachers are leaders) must be learners and aims to inspire the joy of learning in others. She strives to elevate the role leader’s hold in ensuring quality programming. Her mission each day is to show up with passion and purpose, with curiosity and courage. In her role as full-time instructor for the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee’s Center for Early Childhood Professional Development and Leadership, Angel designs, develops and presents professional development opportunities for local, state, and national audiences. Most recently, Angel was recognized as an Exchange Leader.

**Session 1** **– Tuesday: March 16, 2021 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

**Intentional Teaching**

Every activity with children has a purpose. Each piece of equipment or the materials has a reason. Your purpose and reason behind it all is to offer experiences so children can practice and development skills necessary for success. Whew! That’s a mouthful! This workshop will break down the teaching cycle to assist teachers in creating meaningful and intentional learning opportunities. Along the way we’ll engage in discussions and activities as well as answer questions and find solutions.

**Session 2 – Tuesday: March 23, 2021 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

**Explaining Play to Parents – and other adults!**

“She plays at home, when she’s here I want her to learn.” “Why aren’t you teaching him the alphabet and how to read?” If you hear these or similar questions from parents (or other adults) and aren’t quite sure how to answer, this inspiring workshop is for you. Leave with practical ways to show and explain why play is critical to child development. They’ll be praising your play efforts…almost guaranteed!

**Session 3 – Tuesday: March 30, 2021 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

**WMELS and Nature**

Children love to be outside. They love to play with sticks and rocks and boxes. How can teachers intentionally plan using natural materials to support each child’s individual growth and development, even in an urban setting? Asphalt and gravel? No worries! Together we’ll find ways to weave nature into your daily curriculum, both indoors and out. We’ll link natural materials to support growth in each Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards (WMELS) domain. Focus is primarily for teachers of older toddlers and preschool, and who are familiar with the 5 WMELS domains.

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To ensure you receive the zoom link and handouts please register by March 5, 2021.

**Registration Fee: $25 One registration per person.** (*Please make copies as needed.*)

This conference is **FREE**, to 4 & 5 YoungStar rated programs, in the NCFR service delivery area.

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**Are you participating in YoungStar? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ YoungStar rating: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I WILL BE ATTENDING (please check): All 3 conference sessions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Session 1 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Session 2 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Session 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Please send your completed registration form to the address below with your payment or email it to [nwconnection@ncfrwi.net](mailto:nwconnection@ncfrwi.net) and receive PayPal payment information.

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