

CCPC OF KS, INC.
30th ANNUAL
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENT AND
CONFERENCE
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“It’s Our Circus!”

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CHILD CARE PROVIDERS COALITION OF KANSAS, INC. (CCPC)

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*CCPC is a state wide Family Child Care Organization dedicated to promoting
Quality child care and professionalism in Kansas.*

CCPC is a united voice for Family Child Care in Kansas.

What is the Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas Inc. and what does it do?

The Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas (CCPC) Inc. is the statewide organization for family child care providers. Along with our provider members, we also have many food program sponsors, resource and referral agencies, DCF offices and local health agency personnel who receive our mailings and information and show their support for our organization in a variety of ways. Our board members are all family child care providers who are committed to promoting our profession and the quality of care offered in family child care homes across our state. We strive to help individuals deal with issues that commonly affect the family child care provider. We also recognize the rewards and joy that come from knowing that we actually made a difference in the life of a child or family. These joys and rewards are what keep us in the business year after year.

CCPC members are kept abreast of child care news, including legislation, which affects child care, tax updates, training programs and conferences. We support professional and personal growth and development by supporting Accreditation through National Association for Family Child Care. Each year, scholarship monies are allocated in our budget to help our members with the cost of Accreditation, CDA and the CCPC child care conference, which provides quality training opportunities.

We send representatives to planning sessions with state agencies, resource and referral agencies and other child advocacy groups to "speak" for the family child care profession. We also educate all involved parties about the importance of quality care and the valuable role family child care is playing in the early care and education of young children in our state. We work to broaden community awareness by participating in events like the National Week of the Young Child and Kansas Family Child Care Week. We use media opportunities to educate parents and the public in general about the importance of choosing regulated child care.





CONFERENCE WELCOME

"IT'S OUR CIRCUS"

"Whatever they grow up to be, they are still our children, and the one most important of all the things we can give to them is unconditional love. Not a love that depends on anything at all except that they are our children." ~Rosaleen Dickson

"It's Our Circus" in Family Child Care! Child Care Providers can be a source of inspiration to each other by networking, sharing ideals and collaborating with one another to be our best for Kansas Children. I would like to welcome you to our 30th Annual Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas Inc. Professional Development Event and Conference. We are very pleased for the opportunity to host this event at the Hays High School in Hays Kansas. The board strived to plan a professional conference and offer workshops in a variety of levels and Core Competencies for Early Care and Early Education Professionals in Kansas.

You can enjoy our continental breakfast while we learn more about our Keynote Speaker Dino O'dell. Whether he's counting monsters, fixing spaceships or swimming in peanut butter. Dino's interactive songs and tall tales engage curiosity, inspire laughter and stir the imagination in children. Let him stir your imagination!

The Awards Banquet and Recognition Ceremony will take place in the cafeteria. Our luncheon will consist of Pecan Chicken or Smoked Pork Loin, twice baked potatoes, green beans and side salad. The finale dessert, will kick off with a slice of our 30th Annual CCPC Birthday Cake!

The Awards and recognition will take place during the luncheon. We will recognize our current board members and announce election results for the new CCPC board members.

Please make sure you take the time to visit and support vendors & thank presenters.

Thank You!

Corinne Carr

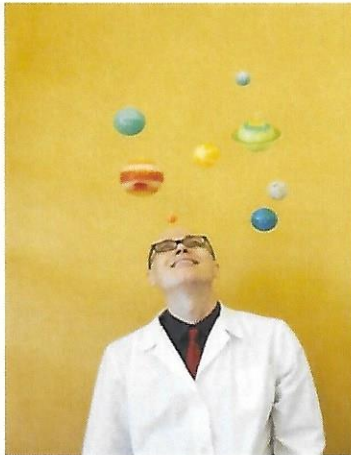
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Keynote, Dino O'dell

Dinosaur O'Dell (a.k.a. Dino)

Before 2003, Dino was an elementary music and drama teacher by day and a folk-rock and reggae musician by night. Now, with over a decade of experience as a family entertainer, his live shows and studio recordings reflect his time as both an educator and a performer; Dino is a master at tricking kids into learning.



“We learn best when we are engaged and we are engaged best when the medium is interactive.” says Dino. And whether it’s a counting song, fill-in-the-blank lyric writing or a sing-a-long, stories and music tap into our innate desire to comprehend, communicate and connect.

Dino’s Presentation:

“Negotiating the Three Ring Circus”



2017 Provider of the Year, Award Recipient: Dusty Davenport



The Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas Award Recipient 2017 Provider of the year, Dusty Davenport. Dusty is located outside of Eskridge, Kansas. She opened her home daycare in June 2003. The majority of her enrollment are children who live in the country, or the surrounding small communities. She has volunteered and worked with special needs children for over 30 years. The children and families that she has met throughout the years taught her a lot about being thankful for the simple things in life, and to not take for granted for what we have. She is thankful for the opportunity for her chosen profession to offer that little extra one-on-one that a child may not otherwise receive.

Congratulations Dusty!

Congratulations!



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THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR KANSAS CHILDREN!

QUESTIONS? CALL US AT 800-277-3578

Co-Affiliate of the Year- Wee Care of Marion County

The affiliate consists of 23 members from throughout Marion County, Kansas. We meet monthly for training session and/or networking. We enjoy hosting a Goey Oeey night fund raiser for our county, annually. Wee Care in Marion Co. is committed to ensuring quality child care. We promote early childhood education and development by providing training opportunities for childcare providers, supporting existing childcare in Marion Co., being advocates for children and families and improving children's school readiness skills.

Co- Affiliate of the Year- Capital Area Providers

Capital Area Providers, CAP, was established more than 25 years ago in order to support and share information and provide training opportunities for the family child care providers in and around the Topeka area. In the past we have had members advocate at legislative gathering. In more recent years we have celebrated our 25 anniversary by participating with a float in the Topeka St. Patrick's Day Parade. Several years ago we opened our trainings to centers. This past year we offered one year free membership for providers to experience our program and trainings. We noticed that many providers had interests in weekend trainings and get aways. Therefore, we plan at least one Spring retreat at a surrounding locations for training, socialization, and relaxation. This year's retreat is April 29. We are contemplating offer a fall retreat this year depending on interest. We feel that our membership is very worthwhile considering the number of classes, support and training we offer.



2017 Hunter Award Recipient- Bev Long

How I got involved in Child Care and why I still care...

I became involved in children's ministry back in 1978 with my local church. Through that experience I gained insight in the needs of children in our community. Then in 1981, I had my first child. I was working full time with the Emporia Police Department and therefore, had to choose child care for my son when I returned to work. The Child Care Resource and Referral network was not in our area at the time, so I followed ads in the local newspaper and talked to other parents to try and find child care. My provider was accused of child abuse. Upon arriving at the child care home, the provider had 15 children in her care on top of the child that had been taken to the hospital and my son who thankfully slept through the event. That started my concern and advocacy in what quality child care would look like. I was fortunate to have a good friend who also was impacted by this situation and she chose to stay home and care for our two sons for the next three years. This experience was always in the back of my mind.

In 1987, I chose to go back to school, and while I was not certain what I wanted to do, I knew that I wanted to impact the community and help children. Through my time at ESU, I also became a foster parent, caring for a niece, a great nephew, and 18 other foster children. My passion for children grew, and I began working on a Bachelor of Integrated Studies with an emphasis on Sociology and Early Childhood. This led me to working for the University through a grant received from Kansas Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies. It became my passion because of my early experience with child care that went so wrong.

I worked 10 years with KACCRRRA, helping child care providers through technical assistance, early childhood professional development, business management techniques, and helping them to fill their child care facility with children through the referral process. I developed lifelong friendships as well as mutual respect for the child care providers who participated in my program and strived for professionalism and quality of care. I also helped to start the Early Childhood Task Force in the Emporia/Lyon County area as well as begin efforts to recognize the National Week of the Young Child that has turned into the Month of the Young Child in Emporia.

When my grant came to an end and KACCRRRA went through reorganization, I was devastated. It felt I was losing my "baby" that I started with the Early Childhood Department and the Early Childhood Care Community. But, I was wrong, because through those friendships and partnerships, I found myself in another career that also promoted child wellbeing and quality childhood environments. I now work in the child abuse prevention arena through Kansas Children's Service League. I supervise the Healthy Families program and the child abuse prevention efforts in our community. Through this I have been able to maintain my connection with many of the child care providers and can offer professional development classes such as Mandated Reporter, Adverse Childhood Experience Impact, Darkness to Light as well as other classes that have been approved by KDHE for in-service hours for child care providers and foster parents.

I have also networked with many of the child care providers on community needs, such as diaper drives for the needy and other events such as the Teddy Bear Clinic and the Month of the Young Child.

I feel that all I have done in the community is be present and available, to advocate and support families and children, and that is not just a job or a career, it is a passion and ministry, and I am blessed.

**Keynote begins at 8:00 a.m. In the Cafeteria for the Continental
Breakfast with Dino O'Dell- Negotiating the Three
Ring Circus**

9:00 a.m. - Break

9:15 a.m. Sessions:



Ring #1- Cheap Science Totes- Presented by Melissa Patterson

Credit Hours: 2 KDHE approved-Cheap science totes provide age appropriate hands on experiences for children infant-school age. Physical, earth, life, and chemical science are just a few focuses that could come to life in your tote.

Ring #2- Links to Quality- Presented by Kelly Meigs, QRIS Program Manager

Credit Hours: 2 KDHE approved/Content Area: Professional Development & Leadership

Please join us for a session about the new quality recognition system being developed called Links to Quality Rating and Improvement Systems (QRIS), the background of Links to Quality and how it differs from other systems. Insights into the first phases of the two-year-pilot test of the system will also be offered. Because we're just starting the pilot of Links to Quality, this session will be as much an opportunity for us to learn from you as it will be for you to learn from us. After providing you with the foundational details of the program, we will move into a discussion session where we can gather your feedback, reactions and ideas. Please join us for this session and come prepared to be a part of the conversation to help us shape Links to Quality.

Ring #3- 30 Million Word Gap- Presented by Deb Regier

Credit Hours: 2 KDHE approved

By the time a child of poverty enters kindergarten they have heard 30 million less words than their counterpart of more affluent parents. Come and learn how you can make a difference in the language development of all children regardless of their income status.

11:15 a.m. Vendor time and Door Prizes in the Cafeteria

11:45 a.m. Awards Luncheon Begins in the Cafeteria

1:00 p.m. Afternoon Sessions Begin

Ring #1- Whatchamacallits, Doodads and Thingamajigs- Presented by Corinne Carr

Credit Hours: 2 KDHE approved/Content area: Learning environment & Curriculum

Participants who attend this workshop will gain the knowledge and understanding of how they can empower children's learning and creative thinking with loose parts in their environment. What are Loose Parts? Loose parts is an invitation to curiosity, desire, and creativity on their own terms. Loose parts do not come with a set of directions or expectations. Loose parts are powered by a child's imagination. An understanding of how vital it is to fuel children's learning, by developing their own ideals and world with loose parts. Creating the indoor environment into a creative learning space. Empower your classroom environment with the appetite for learning!

Ring #2-Play Time with Boxes-Presented by Jayme McKinney

Credit Hours: 2 KDHE approved/Content Area: Learning environment & Curriculum

CDA: 2-to advance physical and intellectual competence

As child care providers we are all about finding ways to create activities on a limited budget. We also know that a child's favorite play object is a box. We will explore ways to use all size of boxes to expand learning in all developmental areas. You will have an opportunity to create and activity to take with you and gather other ideas from participants.

Ring #3- Down on the Farm- Presented by Michelle Gilbert

Credit Hours: 2 CCAKS approved/Content Area: 2-Learning Environment and Curriculum, Promoting Cognitive Development

CDA: 2- Physical and Intellectual Competence

This professional development event will explore how children can learn STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) concepts using a farm theme.

3:00 p.m. - Break

3:15 p.m. - Sessions

Ring #1- Infant/Toddler Child Development- Presented by KCCTO

Credit Hours: 2 KDHE approved

Join this class and explore the development of infants and toddlers. Learn about the importance of the following areas: attachment, perceptual development, movement and fine & gross motor skills, brain development, language skills and social emotional development. If you work with infants and/or toddlers, this course provides more in-depth information after completion of Introduction to Child Development.

Additional information will be given on KCCTO_KITS Infant Toddler Specialist Network (ITSN)

Ring #2- Movin' and Groovin' throughout the Day- Presented by Nancy Rohr

Credit Hours: 2 CCAKS approved/Content Area-2- Learning Environment and Curriculum, Promoting Cognitive Development/CDA: 2- Physical and Intellectual Competence

This class will provide ideas and inspiration for including opportunities to get children moving as they learn throughout the day.

Ring #3-Sharing Our Classroom Stories- Presented by Christina Turner

Credit Hours: 2 CCAKS approved/Content: 3-Observation and Assessment, Observing and Assessing Children and Youth, Level 2 a, b/CDA: 7- Observing and Recording Behavior

Child and group observation plays an essential role in the classroom or environment. In this session, participants will explore techniques for recording observations and representing classroom journeys through the use of photos, journaling and other creative documentation methods.

About the Presenters.....

Corinne Carr, owner of, “*Special Blessings Child Care*” since 1992. In 2006, I contracted with *Early Head Start* in 2009 obtained, NAFCC accreditation. In 2011. I graduated from *Butler County Community College* with my Associates in Applied Science in Early Childhood Education. “ I am currently President of the Family Child Care State Organization CCPC “*Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas*” from 2013- Sept. 2017. Since 2012 my outdoor classroom “Outdoor Adventures” became certified through *Nature Explore and New Dimensions Research Foundation*. Appointed in 2014 & in 2015 continued my service for NAFCC “*The National Association for Family Child Care*”, Region 12 (Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado) as a Council Membership Representative. In 2015 I joined the *CCL Licensing Systems Team* serves as an advisory capacity to the KDHE Child Care Licensing Program. In 2016, I became involved in Child Care Aware, *T.E.A.C.H* and *WAGES\$* Advisory Council, The *Quality Links*, *QRIS Monitoring Work Group Team* and the *Quality Links Peer Learning Group*.

Janelle Harper is the Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) support manager with the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF). Janelle has worked for DCF since March 2012. Prior to joining the QRIS team in November 2016, Janelle worked as a Human Services Specialist in Economic and Employment Service and then was promoted to a Human Services Supervisor in September 2013. Janelle has a bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Avila University. She currently resides in Ozawkie with her husband of seven years. Janelle is a mother of two girls ages six and two.

Kelly Meigs is the Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) program manager with the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF). Prior to joining DCF in May 2015, she served as a paraprofessional with the Turner School District, where she worked with students with developmental delays. She also served as a Kansas State Legislator for four years (2010-2014) and was a member of the Education, Elections, Insurance, Government Efficiency, Health and Human Services and Children and Seniors (vice-chair) committees over her tenure. Kelly has a bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education from Evangel University. She currently resides in Lenexa with her husband of 25 years. Kelly is a mother of four children, ages 24, 22, 21 and 17.

Janet Newton, M.S., has over 30 years of experience working in early care and education. Janet started her career as a Family Child Care Provider and Child Care Center Director and Teacher. She has held many leadership roles in state government in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Child Care Licensing Program and the Kansas Parents as Teachers program. She currently works as a Technical Assistance Specialist with the KCCTO-KITS Infant Toddler Specialist Network.

Christina Turner is the owner of Manchester School for Young Children, a Reggio-inspired preschool in Topeka, KS. Manchester serves forty-two children from three months to age six. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Washburn University and a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Special Education from Emporia State University. During her career, she has taught preschool for four years, kindergarten for eight years, and early childhood special education for two years.

Michelle Gilbert is an Early Care & Education Specialist with Child Care Aware of Eastern Kansas in Topeka. She has the honor of coaching and providing professional development for child care providers on a variety of topics. She is passionate about promoting fun, hands-on experiences that help children develop a love of learning in the early years. Prior to joining the Child Care Aware staff, she spent approximately 20 years working with children and families as a teacher and center director. Michelle is currently the President-Elect for the Kansas Association for the Education of Young Children (KSAEYC) board. She loves anything crafty/creative and is the pup Mom to two adorable little Italian Greyhounds, Glory and Gizmo.

Nancy Rohr is the Inclusion & Transition Specialist with Child Care Aware of Eastern Kansas. She is the primary contact for questions or concerns on supporting children with developmental delays or disabilities. She also provides coaching to child care programs on promoting early literacy and kindergarten readiness. Prior to joining Child Care Aware, Nancy provided developmental information and resources to families through home visitation and worked as a social worker for an Infant/Toddler Program. She is the mother of three school age children and keeps busy with their activities. In her free time, Nancy enjoys volunteering and watching movies with her family.

Melissa Patterson, The Owner and Director of Patterson Family Child Care Center LLC. holds a Bachelor's Degree in Child Development. She started her business in 1997 and has 22+ years of experience in early childhood education. Mrs. Patterson is the wife of Dr. Eric Patterson Sr. They have 2 children in college and 1 child in high school. Mrs. Melissa is what the children & families call her. She believes that good teaching requires continual professional development, personal reflection and collaboration. The quality of the program is reflected by the education of Mrs. Patterson and her staff. She and the staff of PFCCC LLC. are very committed to providing children with a quality early learning experience.

Debra Regier has been a family child care provider for 25 years. Five years ago, she became the head of Marion Co. Child Care Providers affiliate group, WEE CARE. In that position, she has developed many great KDHE approved trainings for this group. The most recent being the 30 Million Word Gap. Deb is all about literacy for our little ones. She is passionate about her work and it shows. Deb has served on the CCPC Board for five years as the treasurer.



CCPC of Ks. would like to give a Big “Thank You” to those who Donated and Supported the 2017, 30th Annual Professional Development and Conference!

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