

January 14-16, 2022

40TH ANNUAL CALIFORNIA KINDERGARTEN CONFERENCE



FOR PRE-K, TK, KINDERGARTEN & FIRST GRADE EDUCATORS

The original conference **for** teachers **by** teachers

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Dr. Marcia L. Tate, CEO
Developing Minds, Inc.



Peggy Campbell-Rush
Education Specialist

FEATURING



Kim Adsit
Kindergals



Maria Mercedes Champion
Pre-K Play



Dan St. Romain
Educational Consulting



Carlanda Miller
The Magical Teacher



Adam Peterson
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Celebrating Early Childhood

EDUCATORS

SUPERHEROES!

AT THE CALIFORNIA KINDERGARTEN CONFERENCE YOU WILL:

- Immerse yourself in the joy of childhood
- Learn new ideas and strategies for your classroom
- Leave on Sunday recharged and ready to put your superhero cape on for Tuesday!

MEET OUR KEYNOTESPEAKERS



Saturday...
Opening
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Dr. Marcia L. Tate, CEO
www.developingmindsinc.com

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Peggy Campbell-Rush
www.peggycampbell-rush.weebly.com

Marcia L. Tate, Ed. D. is the former Executive Director of Professional Development for the DeKalb County Schools, Decatur, Georgia. During her 30-year career with the district, she has been a classroom teacher, reading specialist, language arts coordinator, and staff development director.

Marcia is currently an educational consultant and has presented her workshops to over 500,000 educators and parents around the world. She is the author of the best-selling series “Worksheets Don’t Grow Dendrites”, “Preparing Children for Success in School and Life: 20 Ways to Increase Your Child’s Brain Power”, “Formative Assessment in a Brain-Compatible Classroom: How Do We Really Know They’re Learning?”, and her latest two books: “100 Brain-Friendly Lessons for Unforgettable Teaching and Learning K-8” and “9-12”.

She is married to Tyrone Tate and the proud mother of 3 children and 9 grandchildren.

Keynote: The Power of Positive Thinking

Whether you believe you can or you believe you can’t, you’re right! People don’t realize how they severely limit their brain’s potential with negative thinking. It is amazing how confidence in one’s ability to accomplish a task positively impacts one’s success at actually achieving it. When people approach situations with a confident attitude and a positive belief system, life-changing things can occur! Based on a combination of brain research and the book, *The Power of Positive Thinking* by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, this workshop explores the detrimental effects of stress on your life and how it is the number one cause of aging and a major contributor to illness. You will learn how to lengthen your life by determining your purpose, reducing damaging stress, and creating an optimistic daily outlook. You will also learn the importance of laughter. After all, consider how long many of your major comedians lived.

Peggy Campbell-Rush is currently a US Government Fulbright Education Specialist helping over 150 countries with educational best practices.

Peggy is nationally and internationally recognized education expert who has presented her keynotes and workshops at school and conferences around the world for over 35 years.

Peggy retired as the Head of the Lower School at the Bolles School, Jacksonville, Florida in 2021. She has been in education for 46 years and has taught primary grades and been an administrator in both the United States and England. Peggy presented port previews to over 650 college students as they traveled the world with Semester at Sea. She did workshops on mindfulness and the brain body connection for faculty and administrators. She served as the main communicator on the ship, commonly known as “voice” of the ship. Peggy is the author of seven books for teachers including “*I Teach Kindergarten*”. She is currently working on her eighth book on Executive Functioning Skills.

Keynote: Superheroes: Sterling, Unrelenting, Professional Educators, Really (are) HEROES

You have been tested, unsure of the future, trying to do your best amid the chaos of Covid and other pressures these past two years. You have cried, screamed, worried and been exhausted. Join Peggy as she builds you up, makes you laugh, and renews your resilience. This mid-year tune-up is exactly what your mind, heart, and soul need to charge back into the classroom and be the SUPERHERO you truly are.

MEET OUR FEATURED SPEAKERS



Kim Aidsit

Kindergals.blogspot.com • Sessions A, B & C

Kim, a former Teacher of the Year, has taught kindergarten for 30 years. She has been a national presenter for more than 20 years where she focuses on sharing curriculum and strategies that incorporate child-centered activities. Kim has been selected as an Expert Teacher and she serves as a teacher mentor. She has a Specialist Degree in Early Childhood Education as well as an At-Risk Endorsement. Kim has authored many teacher resources that are available on the teacherspayteachers.com website.



Maria Mercedes Champion

[@championprekplay](https://twitter.com/championprekplay) • Friday PCI, Sessions A & B

Maria Mercedes is an early childhood teacher and consultant educated in Colombia, Spain and USA. With over 16 years in the classroom, she's also worked as a program coordinator and bilingual facilitator. First and foremost, she is an advocate for young children, and her support centers around her two biggest passions: bilingualism and play. She loves creating songs, activities, and a playful, rich language environment for her students, and is passionate about sharing what she has learned and created with other educators, to learn and PLAY together.



Adam Peterson

www.adampetersoneducation.com • Sessions A, D & E

Adam Peterson is an award-winning educator, best-selling author, and nationally recognized speaker. After spending more than a decade as a kindergarten teacher, Adam now uses his knowledge and talents to inspire, educate, and motivate other teachers to create classrooms that encourage creativity, play, and hands-on learning. When he's not working with teachers on location, Adam spends his time at home creating YouTube videos for teachers, co-hosting the popular podcast, *The Classroom Collaborative with Deedee Wills*, and writing any chance he gets. He has also recently published the best-selling book, *Teach, Play, Learn!* with Dave Burgess Consulting. Being a believer that family comes first, Adam spends every free second he has with his beautiful wife, Trisha, and their two amazing children.

Dan St. Romain

www.danstromain.com • Sessions A, B & C

Dan St. Romain is a national independent educational consultant who provides staff development and consultative services to educators and parents working with children at all developmental levels. Dan is passionate about helping individuals shift their perspective on discipline, understanding the best ways to provide support given the challenges posed in today's society.

Dan worked in both private residential and public school settings. His work as a self-contained behavior unit teacher, educational diagnostician, behavior consultant, and director of a learning resource center has afforded him experience at all levels, in both general and special education settings.

Dan's overwhelming strength is his skill as a presenter. Although his sessions are exceedingly interactive, his greatest asset lies in his ability to offer participants rich insight into the connectedness between educational practices and student behavior. He is the author of several books, the latest, *Positive Behavior Principles: Shifting Perspectives and Aligning Practices in Schools*.

Carlanda Miller

www.carlandathemagicalteacher.com • Sessions C, D & E

Carlanda Miller, also known as The Magical Teacher, has become a viral sensation. She leads professional development sessions on Engagement Strategies to Spread Magic in Your Classroom at teacher conferences for teachers across the nation. She also gives motivational keynotes to students, future teachers, and educators. Carlanda has been in education for ten years. She taught Special Education, held leadership roles, and is currently teaching kindergarten.

She instills a true love of learning, engaging students and adults using movement, listening, speaking, and acting. She was asked to share her techniques and expertise by organizations such as National Geographic and the California Teachers Association's magazine, *California Educator*. Miller is featured on the cover and in an article for CTA's June/July issue and was selected as Fresno USD's Elementary Teacher of the Year for the 2017-18 school year and California's 2018 Celebrity Educator of the Year.



PRE-CONFERENCE INSTITUTE

FRIDAY! JANUARY 14

REGISTRATION

8:30-9:00am

DAN ST. ROMAIN

“Positive Behavior Principles:
Shifting Perspectives and Aligning
Practices in Schools”

9:00am-Noon

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

Noon-1:00pm

MERCEDES CHAMPION

“From Scribbles to Letters:
Writing, A Complex Process”

1:00-4:00pm

IT'S AN **ART** PARTY
(AND YOU'RE INVITED!)

4:00-5:30pm



Dan

**Positive Behavior Principles:
Shifting Perspectives and Aligning
Practices in Schools**

Although behaviors in the school system have changed a great deal in the past few decades, our strategies for supporting those behaviors have not. By examining all the information we have learned about the brain, we are in a better position to design effective interventions. In this interactive session, participants will learn nine principles for positively shaping the behavior of their students.



Maria Mercedes

**From Scribbles to Letters:
Writing, A Complex Process**

Learn it today, apply it on Monday. This will be an interactive presentation showing different fine/gross motor activities and ideas to help develop strong fingers, hands, arms, and torsos, but most importantly, happy future writers.

SATURDAY

8:00am-5:30pm

Commercial Exhibits

9:00-10:30am

Keynote by Dr. Marcia Tate

11:00am-12:15pm

Session A

12:15-1:45pm

Lunch on Your Own

1:45-3:00pm

Session B

3:15-4:30pm

Session C

7:30pm

Night at the Movies

SUNDAY

8:00am-1:30pm

Commercial Exhibits

8:00-8:45am

CKA Annual Meeting

9:00-10:15am

Keynote by Peggy Campbell-Rush

10:45am-12:00pm

Session D

12:00-1:15pm

Lunch on Your Own

1:15-2:30pm

Session E

EXHIBIT

Send Us Your Students' Art!

Attention:

Pre-K, TK, K, Grade 1, & SPED Teachers

Submit artwork created by your students by Friday, December 10, 2021 for inclusion in the Exhibit. To transport class projects, email the CKA Office at cka@ckanet.org for the contact information of an Art Area Representative.

Paintings • Collages • Drawings • Prints • Class Quilts • Murals • Sculptures
as well as student artwork inspired by author and illustrator Bob Barner.

See the work of your young artists displayed throughout the Santa Clara Hyatt Regency.

[Click here to download the required Art Information Sheet.](#)

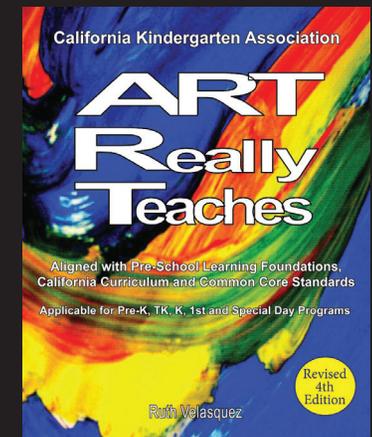


CKA Honors the Memory of
Ruth Lind Velasquez

Click here to apply for the

**2022
Ruth Lind Velasquez
Art Grant**

“ART Really Teaches”
is available at the
Art Table
at the Conference!



FREE TO ALL CONFERENCE ATTENDEES!

WE'RE HAVING A PARTY!



Help Us Celebrate 33 Years
of the Young Children's Art Exhibit

Santa Clara Hyatt Regency • Friday, January 14th • 4:00-5:30pm

- View Pre-K, TK, K and Grade 1 artwork
- Create art at hands-on stations
- Sing-a-long led by Kindergarten teacher, Winter Hungerford
- Surprise gift for attendees
- Grand Door Prize: an original Maureen Perkinson Art Bag & gift cards from Staples and Michaels



NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

FREE
ADMISSION
FREE

JOIN US FOR A **FREE** MOVIE NIGHT!

Saturday, January 15th

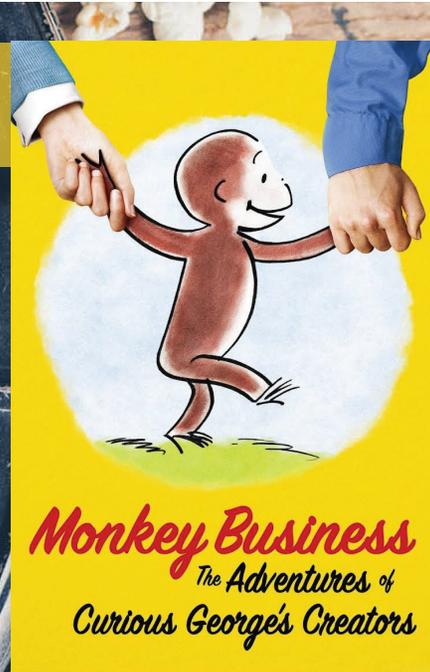
Doors open at 7:00pm • Movie begins at 7:30pm



Free Popcorn!



No-host drinks



SESSION A • SATURDAY 11:00am-12:15pm

A1

Dan St. Romain

Independent Educational Consultant
Universal City, TX

Ages and Stages:

A Guide to Developmentally Appropriate Behaviors

Wondering if a student's behavior is typical? Join Dan in examining common behaviors associated with young children in all areas of development. Learn how the different ages and stages give us insight into helping set our students up for success now and long after they have left the school setting.

www.danstromain.com

A2

Maria Mercedes Champion

Teacher of Educators
San Antonio, TX

Bilingualism: Building Brain Power!

Learning another language is a difficult task that requires lots of support by families and educators. Let's answer some questions you may have about second language acquisition and the ways we can support our students and families learning another language.

Champion Pre-K Play

A3

Adam Peterson

Educator, Author & Speaker
Morris, IL

Teach. Play. Learn!

Ever feel like you're bogged down with curriculum, standards, and new manuals? Well, never fear, Adam is here! Using tried and true methods, Adam will have you laughing, moving, playing, and learning as you explore ways to make your standards more fun than ever before. With simple tweaks and classroom hacks to board games, card games, and more, you can have your students of any age learning through play in so many ways!

www.adampetersoneducation.com

A4

Kim Adsit

Kindergarten Teacher Mentor and Advisor
National Early Childhood Consultant and Trainer
Warner Robins, GA

Science Blasters!

Enter into an exciting experience that will help you integrate science into your own classroom! Kim will show you "explosive" ways to get Kindergartners motivated to learn. Hands-on science activities and experiments, interactive literature, tasty test-tubes, and magical messes will capture your children's imaginations! It's something that's OUT OF THIS WORLD!

<http://www.kindergals.net/>

A5

The Art Really Teaches Team

Kindergarten Teachers
Bay Area

Bugs and Bees, Flowers, and Trees!

Springtime comes to your classroom!
Join Linda, Pat, Stef and Zelda to explore nature's gifts.
You will address language arts, math,
and science standards through hands-on art
activities that nourish your students' creativity.

www.artreallyteaches.com

A6

Ronald Mah

Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist
Castro Valley

How to Build Powerful Children in a Stress-Filled World

This workshop addresses how stress affects children and adults. Participants will better understand and support children with developmental stresses or challenges and unanticipated disruptions. Participants will learn to deal with many types of stress, how to build powerful children, stress builders and releasers, and how to build self-esteem in children.

www.ronaldmah.com

A7

Sundrina Cottrell

Educator
Lancaster

Fun, Interactive Storytelling with Felts, Puppets, Props, and Content-Rich Literature!

Captivate ALL your learners with engaging storytelling techniques! We'll have a blast learning puppet theory, story time class management tips, Core Standards addressed, expansion activities, and more! Enjoy content-rich literature appropriate for a wide range of ages, that covers math, science, language/literacy, and social/emotional content!

www.artfelt.net

A8

Cindy Bahr

Educational Consultant
San Diego

It's Time for Distance Learning Recovery - Let's Reengage the Brain!

Distance learning was a challenge for all. Learn the effects of distance learning on the brain and how to infuse brain stimulating mini exercises to re-engage. You'll learn brain-engaging strategies and interventions you can immediately implement to help catch up your students in processing, memory, and motor skills, including handwriting techniques.

www.educlime.com

A9

Art Exhibit / Commercial Exhibits

Avoid the crowds!

To view the Young Children's Art Exhibit and see the Commercial Exhibits at your leisure, register for this session.



SESSION B • SATURDAY 1:45pm-3:00pm

B1

Dan St. Romain

Independent Educational Consultant
Universal City, TX

Literature, Language, and Life Skills

It's a crazy balancing act trying to teach kids the academic skills they need while also supporting their healthy social-emotional development. Perhaps the best way to do this is by integrating the two. In this fast-paced session, participants will have fun examining how social, emotional, ethical, and cognitive skills can be taught through the use of literature and interactive reading strategies.

www.danstromain.com

B2

Maria Mercedes Champion

Teacher of Educators
San Antonio, TX

Diverse Children... Diverse Strategies

As our classrooms get more diverse, teachers are in need of strategies for meeting the different needs of our youngest learners. In this fast-paced session, participants will learn simple strategies, songs, and activities for helping our students get off to a fun and developmentally appropriate start in the early childhood classroom. Songs will be available in English & Spanish!

Champion Pre-K Play

B3

Dr. Marcia L. Tate

CEO, Developing Minds, Inc.
Conyers, GA

Teacher Expectations and Student Achievement (TESA)

Over 50 years of research have taught us that you get what you expect. If you don't expect much from your students, you won't get much from them. During this highly engaging workshop, experience 15 interactions that teachers should use to convey their high expectations to all students. These interactions include calling on all students, taking a personal interest in their lives, praising their academic work, and complimenting their personal characteristics. When these interactions are used, academic achievement and attendance increase, and behavior problems are reduced.

www.developingmindsinc.com www.drmarciatate.com

B4

Kim Adsit

Kindergarten Teacher Mentor and Advisor
National Early Childhood Consultant and Trainer
Warner Robins, GA

Storytime STEM

Could you use some creative STEM lessons to inspire your young learners to create, investigate, and explore the world? You got 'em! Kim shares her favorite stories and fairy tales as a springboard to STEM. Collect numerous activities that are rich in content, yet easy to implement, AND will inspire all your young scientists and engineers!

<http://www.kindergals.net/>

B5

Belle Aken

First Grade Teacher
San Francisco

STEAM Ahead! Architects, Builders, Create, Discover & Explore!

A STEAM approach enriches interdisciplinary connections. Students are the creative architects, engineers, and makers who design imaginative solutions. Come explore with low prep materials, guiding students as the "architects" of a creative bedroom or classroom and castle. Leave with an inspiring STEM booklist!

www.artreallyteaches.com

B6

Charmaine Erwin

Educational Consultant
Sonora

Love to Move, Move to Learn

Learn how to turn abstract alphabets into a concrete literacy tool, accessible to all children, through playful Animal Letters, Alliterative Animal Names, and Body Movements. Maximize student learning and teach the alphabet, phonemic awareness, and phonics through playful, game-formatted materials and activities.

<https://zoo-phonics.com>

B7

Suzanne Mulcahy, M.S.

Author/SEL Curriculum for ECE

Prevent Bullying in an Environment Honoring Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The significance of SEL and its impact on bullying behavior will be addressed. When children have a solid foundation in their self-identity, they are more confident, self-reliant, compassionate, accepting of challenging learning tasks, and better able to socialize, thus reducing bullying behavior. Participants will leave with practical teaching strategies.

www.zerobullies.com

B8

Patty Morrison

Kindergarten Teacher
Fresno

Patterning with Literature

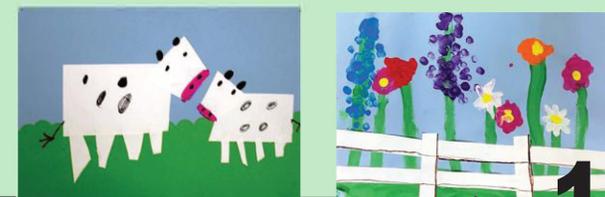
Children need to understand patterning. In California only Pre-K includes patterning standards. As a teacher, this concerned me. All students should understand patterns, not just those who went to Pre-K. I will share literature books and follow up hands-on lessons. Come and get lesson plans ready to go!

B9

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SESSION C • SATURDAY 3:15pm-4:30pm

C1

Dan St. Romain

Independent Educational Consultant
Universal City, TX

Count Me In: Building Behavioral Skills in Our Youngest Learners

Teach your students the behavioral skills they need for school success in a fun, natural, and developmentally appropriate way!

In this session, Dan offers insight into simple activities that can be used in the classroom to engage children while positively shaping their behaviors in the process.

This session is anything but passive.

www.danstromain.com

C2

Carlanda Miller

The Magical Teacher
Fresno, CA

How to Magically Instill Motivation and Academic Accountability in the Classroom

Are you trying to find ways to keep your students motivated to do the heavy lifting in the classroom? In this interactive session, participants will learn ways to utilize engagement strategies that encourage a Growth Mindset as well as the importance of teaching students coping skills and creating classroom structures that ensures learning is student centered.

<https://www.carlandthemagicalteacher.com/>

C3

Dr. Marcia L. Tate

CEO, Developing Minds, Inc. • Conyers, GA

Worksheets Don't Grow Dendrites:

20 Instructional Strategies that Engage the Brain

Have you ever wondered why some students cannot understand or recall important content after a 24-hour period? If your students are not learning the way you are teaching them, then you must teach them the way they learn! Experience 20 instructional strategies that maximize memory and minimize forgetting. Increase learning for all students when strategies like drawing, metaphor, movement, music, and storytelling are used to teach curriculum objectives and meet international standards. Ensure that brains retain key concepts, not only for tests, but for life! This workshop has been called both professionally and personally life-changing and lots of fun!

www.developingmindsinc.com www.drmarciatate.com

C4

Kim Adsit

Kindergarten Teacher Mentor and Advisor
National Early Childhood Consultant and Trainer
Warner Robins, GA

Cards, Dice, and Dominoes

Ready to have your kiddos learning when they think they are playing?

Trying to figure out a cheap, easy way to create games?

Do you want to have games with only a few rules so that your kiddos can play independently? Kim will share a plethora of easy games that use only cards, dice, and dominoes. She will show you how you can teach the same game format to all and easily change the standard to meet the needs of your individual learners.

<http://www.kindergals.net/>

C5

Zelonna Wolkis Goldstein

Kindergarten Teacher
Phoenix, AZ

Creating Mindful Environments That Support Students' Social and Emotional Learning

Strengthen your students' ability to self-regulate so they can recognize and manage their social and emotional behaviors. Learn mindfulness strategies and coping techniques for a variety of emotions felt throughout the day. In our session, you will collect tools that incorporate useful practices which will bring your Class Family together!

Twitter: @wolkiswonders

C6

Calvie Clement

TK/K Teacher
Hanford

The Fun and Fabulous 40 for 40!

Join Calvie in celebrating the 40th California Kindergarten Conference as only she can! She will share 40 of her favorites: "tales and tunes" that are a blast from the past with lots of new songs and children's literature, too! Be ready to laugh, sing, move, groove, and CELEBRATE!

C7

Emily EK Cremidis, Ed.M.

Manager of Educational Center
Novato

The Heart of the Writer: Social-Emotional Learning and Writing

How do we connect with the head and the heart as we teach our young writers? Learn effective instructional practices for supporting students' growth. Experience culturally responsive approaches with high-quality literature. Through video demonstrations and conversations, examine the role of authentic feedback in developing audience, purpose, and writer's craft.

www.collaborativeclassroom.org

C8

Judy Pross

Early Childhood Educator
Prescott, AZ

Inspire Children to Become Makers, "Tinkerers," and Inventors - Through STEM/STEAM!

Explore innovative ideas, resources, and materials for creating "makerspaces" where students can "tinker" and invent! Discover how familiar foods, toys, and household items were invented - and how many successful inventions came about because an inventor made a "mistake", persevered to solve the problem, or discovered a new direction.

www.playfulteachingandlearning.com

C9

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SESSION D • SUNDAY 10:45am-12:00pm

D1

Peggy Campbell-Rush

US Fulbright Education Specialist
US Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs • Ponte Vedra Beach, FL

Cool, Calm...And You Want Me to Do WHAT?

Executive Functioning Skills in Young Children (Part 1)

Research shows that the development of essential Executive Functioning (EF) skills in the early years is more of an indicator of school success than academic ability. What are these EF skills? Come to this two-part workshop to find out not only what the crucial life skills are, but also what to do to help increase these skills. Both sessions are filled with brain research, practical tips, and many hands-on activities you can experience and use immediately with your children. Session one will give an in-depth look into these EF skills: organization, cognitive flexibility, memory, and self-regulation.
<https://peggycampbell-rush.weebly.com/>

D2

Carlanda Miller

The Magical Teacher
Fresno, CA

Incorporating a Goal Driven Mindset in the Classroom

Are you feeling overwhelmed with juggling all the things that need to get done daily? Creating goals can help make your tasks manageable and reduce stress. This session will focus on the importance of having goals for self-care, whole class and individual student goals. Participants will be guided through the process of writing goals with action steps and strategies to guide students through the goal writing process.

<https://www.carlandthemagicalteacher.com/>

D3

Adam Peterson

Educator, Author & Speaker
Morris, IL

Next Generation Student Scientists

Learning the science standards has never been more fun than this.

With a few surprises and exciting twists to your curriculum, Adam will show you ways to make science come alive in your classroom. This hands-on session will have you and your staff working together to solve problems in ways that can be adapted for even the youngest of learners!

www.adampetersoneducation.com

D4

Dr. Marianne Gibbs

Occupational Therapist
North, VA

Fine Motor Skills...Write Out of the Box!

NAEYC presenter and national early childhood speaker, Dr. Marianne Gibbs, presents this engaging hands-on session on fine motor development of young children 3-6. This session contains essential, rarely addressed information for educators of ALL young children supporting pencil grasp, pre-writing, and scissoring. Activities and techniques ready to use in classrooms next week will be presented!

www.writeoutofthebox.com

D5

Mary Gallagher

Life and Business Coach
Point Pleasant Beach, NJ

It's Okay to Not Be Okay: Extreme Teacher Self-Care

Let's be real. The last 20 months have been beyond challenging for teachers and a bubble bath just won't cut it. In this workshop, you'll acknowledge what you've been through on a deep level, gain new practices for lasting self-care, and learn how to prioritize your own well-being.

www.marygallagher.com

D6

Palma Lindsay

International Presenter
Greenwood

Math & Art: Together at Last (Teaching Math Through Art)

What happens when you combine math and art? You have unforgettable fun and incredible learning experiences! In this hands-on, make and take session, you'll discover how to integrate amazing 3-D art techniques into your math lessons. We'll explore paper beads, kid-friendly batik, nature prints, and ways to incorporate pattern blocks & math concepts in art!

Kfundamentals.blogspot.com

D7

Melissa Brooks

PreK & TK Director
Rexburg, ID

Be GLAD®: Nurturing Literacy Through Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

Science and early literacy go hand in hand. In this interactive workshop, we will demonstrate how to hit multiple literacy standards while sparking students' curiosity and motivation through science. Participants will take away research-based strategies for planning standards-based interdisciplinary lessons that nurture students' literacy skills in any language.

www.begladtraining.com

D8

Jennifer Holbert-Herman

Early Childhood Mentor
Irvine

Putting PLAY Back into Your Kindergarten Classroom!

Are you looking for ways for your students to play during the school year, but face obstacles due to covid regulations?

Then this is the session for you!

You will learn ten fun and manageable ways to include play in your day!

D9

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SESSION E • SUNDAY 1:15pm-2:30pm

E1

Peggy Campbell-Rush

US Fulbright Education Specialist
US Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs • Ponte Vedra Beach, FL

Cool, Calm...And You Want Me to Do WHAT?

Executive Functioning Skills in Young Children (Part 2)

Research shows the development of essential Executive Functioning (EF) skills in the early years is more of an indicator of school success than academic ability. What are these EF skills? Come to this two-part workshop to find out not only what the crucial life skills are, but also what to do to help increase these skills. Both sessions are filled with brain research, practical tips, and many hands-on activities you can experience and use immediately with your children. Session two will give an in-depth look into these

EF skills: stress, task initiation, attention, and time management.

<https://peggycampbell-rush.weebly.com/>

E2

Carlanda Miller

The Magical Teacher
Fresno, CA

Setting the Tone for Inquisitive Thinking in a Content Engaging Environment

Preparation is key to unlocking the MAGIC within your students!
Come learn strategies to encourage your students to ask and answer higher level questions during classroom discussions.

Explore, brainstorm, and plan content engaging learning activities to execute in your classroom throughout the school year.

<https://www.carlandathemagicalteacher.com/>

E3

Adam Peterson

Educator, Author & Speaker
Morris, IL

Whoa! What Happened to Our Classroom?!?!

What?! Wow! Awesome! Those are words every teacher loves to hear, right? Adam's love of teaching, combined with his creativity, had his students saying this quite often. Whether it's for a class party, book review, or to boost engagement, Adam's room flips are sure to excite even the most reluctant learners. Take a trip through a wild forest, go on a Pokemon hunt, explore a bat cave, and more in this fun learning experience.

www.adampetersoneducation.com

E4

LaDonna Wicklund

Early Literacy Specialist
Iowa City, IA

Using Songs to Introduce Sight Words

Use songs to give your children a multi-sensory introduction to sight words. Practice song-based strategies that propel the children into looking at print and writing letters and words. If you teach bilingual or at-risk children, you will love this playful, multi-sensory introduction to words.

www.youtube.com/icanreadsongs

www.icanreadsongs.org

E5

Jayo Enna

Kindergarten Teacher
San Jose

Click, Clack, MOOvement, Students Take Action

As educators it is imperative that we bring the world into our classrooms and help students make sense of it.
This presentation will showcase a two-week lesson that uses read alouds, conversations, and a culminating "peaceful protest" to help students understand the power of a collective voice.

E6

*Dr. Linda Platas
& Dr. Kelley Durkin*

Associate Professor/Research Asst. Professor
San Francisco State Univ./Vanderbilt Univ.

Making More of Math! For Teachers by Teachers

This interactive presentation aims to support teachers in providing math learning opportunities throughout the day while also contributing to children's executive function, and cognitive and language development. Teachers will learn how to use free website resources which describe research-based math center activities and activities designed to make transitions productive learning opportunities.

<https://dreme.stanford.edu>

E7

Scott Nielsen

PK-12 Coordinator
Fresno

Wonderful Weaving

How can we put a playful STEAM spin on weaving?
How about weaving with our bodies, around a playground, with paper, or even with music? In this session, we will weave together in various ways and make connections to many content areas.

www.aimscenter.org

E8

Sandy Tolbert & Loretta Joy

Kindergarten Learning Designers
Campbell

Growth Mindset + Positivity = Self-Directed Students

Our youngest learners are sponges. They exponentially absorb information on a daily basis. While parents/caregivers are often the nurturers and basic-needs providers, educators have the important role of teaching our youngest learners to modify their often-passive thinking habits into growth mindset and positive learning opportunities.

Twitter: @sandytolbert9 and @loretta-toy



REGISTRATION

Pre-Conference Institute: January 14, 2022
California Kindergarten Conference: January 15-16, 2022

This is my first time attending the California Kindergarten Conference

• please type or PRINT clearly in ink •

Name _____ CKA Member # _____

Work ph _____ Cell ph* _____ Home email* _____

Home address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Grade/position _____ School _____

School district _____

****Cell phone and home email required.**

2022 California Kindergarten Conference

Please indicate by NUMERALS your 1st through 3rd choice for EACH session.
 Each session is limited. Assignments are made in the order received.

Your t-shirt size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL

SESSION A
 Sat. 11am-12:15pm

1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

• EXHIBITS AND NOONTIME ACTIVITIES •

SESSION B
 Sat. 1:45-3:00pm

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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SESSION C
 Sat. 3:15-4:30pm

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Sat. 7:30pm

• Night at the Movies

Sun. 8:00-8:45am

• CKA ANNUAL MEETING

SESSION D
 Sun. 10:45-12:00pm

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• EXHIBITS AND NOONTIME ACTIVITIES •

SESSION E
 Sun. 1:15-2:30pm

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I have read and agreed to the Health and Safety Protocols/ Onsite Safety Plan for the 2022 California Kindergarten Conference. The Health & Safety Protocols/Onsite Safety Plan can also be found on the California Kindergarten Conference page of the CKA website.

I've enclosed a copy of my COVID-19 vaccination card.

I will bring a copy of a negative COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours prior to arrival at the conference. Home tests are not acceptable.

American Disabilities Act - If you have special requirements, please check this box. We will contact you for details.

I wish to submit my students' art in the Young Children's Art Exhibit.

• OFFICE USE ONLY •

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PAYMENT _____

REGISTRATION FEES

PreConference Institute	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend the Art Party FREE
\$145 CKA Member / \$195 Nonmember*	\$
2-Day Conference Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> Presenter FREE
Early bird through November 1st	<input type="checkbox"/> Principal FREE
\$295 CKA Member / \$345 Nonmember*	
Regular Pricing	
\$325 CKA Member / \$375 Nonmember*	\$
1-Day Conference Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> Presenter FREE
Early bird through November 1st	<input type="checkbox"/> Principal FREE
\$205 CKA Member / \$255 Nonmember*	
Regular Pricing	
\$235 CKA Member / \$285 Nonmember*	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend Saturday's Night at the Movies	
<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend the CKA Annual Meeting	

*Please apply \$50 of my nonmember registration towards CKA membership or membership renewal Check if yes

TOTAL FEES \$

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Check enclosed - made payable to CKA
 Purchase order attached
 Charge: Amex MasterCard VISA
 Card No.: _____
 Exp. Date _____ Card Security Code: _____
 Name on card _____
 Signature _____
 Billing address _____

Please Note: Any pictures taken during conference weekend can be used for promotional materials.

••••• Send this form & payment to: CKA, 1014 Chippendale Way, Roseville, CA 95661 / E-mail: cka@ckanet.org / Fax: 916-780-5330 •••••

The currently occurring COVID-19 pandemic is having, and will continue to have, significant and unpredictable impacts on every organization. In the event that the California Kindergarten Conference needs to transition into a virtual conference, all presentations will be live using Zoom. The registration fees for a zoom conference will be as follows:

PreConference Institute: \$75 CKA Member/\$125 Nonmember • 2-day conference: \$150 CKA Member/\$200 Nonmember *We will refund the difference between the live conference registration fee and the virtual conference registration fee.

Credit Course

EARN 3 GRADUATE-LEVEL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CREDITS FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE CA KINDERGARTEN CONFERENCE

Courses4Teachers Inc/University of the Pacific is offering a special discount for the CA Kindergarten Conference: 3 Graduate-Level Professional Development Semester Credits for only \$200 (\$79 savings)

Note: These graduate-level professional development semester units/credits are designed as professional development for salary advancement and to renew credentials. These units/credits are not designed towards attainment of an advanced degree.

To be awarded these units/credits, you will need to do the following:

1) To register for university credit during or after the Conference, please use this link: courses4teachers.net/california-kindergarten-conference/
For questions, please email courses4teachers@courses4teachers.net

2) Be prepared to turn in a log of 25 hours of reading, research and/or curriculum development. Your participation at the California Kindergarten Conference will award you 20 hours (this will be the first entry on your log.) In addition you will need to log 25 hours of reading, research & curriculum development you have completed prior to or after the conference. Thus, a total of the required 45 hours for 3 graduate-level professional development semester credits.

Instructions on how to log your hours of extra work is provided on the website link.

Please note: It typically takes 6 – 8 weeks to obtain an Unofficial Transcript from the Registrar, so please keep this time frame in mind when registering.

Should you need prior approval for courses with your District, listed below are all the courses available for 3 units for total cost of \$200:

ECE Course Numbers and Titles Specifically For Early Childhood Education:

- P ECE 9000 – Teaching Foundational Reading Skills to ECE Students
- P ECE 9001 – Teaching Foundational Math Skills to ECE Students
- P ECE 9002 – Supporting English Language Development in the ECE Classroom
- P ECE 9003 – Assessment of ECE Goals and Lesson Plan Effectiveness
- P ECE 9004 – Understanding Developmental Stages of Early Childhood
- P ECE 9005 – Promoting Social Emotional Growth in ECE Students
- P ECE 9006 – Teaching to Diversified Developmental Levels, Personality Types & Learning Styles in the ECE Classroom
- P ECE 9007 – Teaching Language and Literacy to ECE Students

- EDUP 9181: Creating A Classroom of Equity and Belonging
- EDUP 9188: Promoting Social Emotional Learning and Growth
- EDUP 9189: Social Emotional Learning Practices
- EDUP 9191: Equity Teaching, Strategies and Curriculum

Hotel Accommodations

HYATT

Hyatt Regency Santa Clara • Conference Headquarters Hotel
5101 Great America Parkway • Santa Clara, CA 95040
Toll free (800) 233-1234

www.santaclara.hyatt.com • Rates single/double \$189

If making reservations by phone, you must identify yourself as a California Kindergarten Conference registrant to receive the discounted conference rate.

Don't want to wait for your reservation in the mail?

For instant availability and confirmation, please register online at: <https://bit.ly/3keWscg>

Cancellation/Change date is Monday, January 10, 2022, by 3:00 pm PST

Parking: \$25 overnight charge

Group rate is available until December 23, 2021.

Principals Attend FREE

Bring your principal to experience the joy of early childhood! They don't even have to pay! Principals attend the conference for free – make sure to check the box on the registration form and send in together with a teacher's registration.

Registration Procedures

- REGISTER ONLINE HERE or complete the registration form on page 14.
- Prior to the conference you will receive an email confirming your attendance.

GROUP DISCOUNT: Are you coming with 6 of your favorite colleagues? Groups of 7 or more from the same school district receive \$25 off each registration! Call the CKA office at 916-780-5331 for details.

Refund Policy

NO REGISTRATION REFUNDS WILL BE MADE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. Registrations are fully transferable to a substitute registrant up to, and including, the day of the conference.

Note: In the event the conference is cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control, registration fees will be refunded, minus a \$20 administrative fee.