

The goal of the Essex County Out of School Time Conference is to provide professional development opportunities for OST (summer camp and after school) directors and their front line staff in the following areas: designing programs to increase student participation, improving the quality of programs to bolster sustainability and aligning in school / out of school time by enhancing enrichment with academics.

This conference will feature a general session for all participants to gain skills in building summer camp culture, a track for early childhood educators (birth to preschool) as well as a track for school age child care programs. Workshops this year are focused around combating summer learning loss.

AGENDA

8:00AM - REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST

9:00AM - WELCOME REMARKS

9:15AM - GENERAL SESSION:

BUILDING SUMMER CAMP CULTURE

10:15AM - MORNING WORKSHOPS

12:00PM - CHAT & CHEW- LUNCH WITH

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DIANE GENCO; EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NJSACC

1:00PM - AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

2:45PM - CLOSING REMARKS

This conference is brought to you in partnership with NJSACC, Newark Public Schools: Office of Expanded Learning Time and Newark Thrives!



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SCHOOL'S OUT: MAKE IT COUNT!

ESSEX COUNTY OUT OF SCHOOL TIME CONFERENCE

(SUMMER CAMP & BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL)

**SATURDAY
JUNE 23RD, 2018
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
SCIENCE PARK
HIGH SCHOOL
NEWARK, NJ 07103**

ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW AVAILABLE at

<https://www.programsforparents.org/ecost-conference>

School Age Child Care Workshops

1. Savvy & Safe; Not Sorry Trainer; AmeriGroup

Learn how to keep kids safe while incorporating technology in the classroom. Bullying these days is not what it once was. Participants will learn the "Three R's of Cyber Bullying" – how to Recognize it, Respond to it, and Report it. **(Session offered Morning and Afternoon)**

2. Engage, Express, Evaluate, Exhibit

Roselle Arenas; Boys & Girls Club of Newark

This workshop will engage participants in facilitating a successful summer curriculum based activity as well as in reinforcing key learning practices learned during the school year. **(Session offered Morning and Afternoon)**

3. Summer Starts in September:

Planning for Quality in Summer Programs

Dana Hammond; National Summer Learning Association

Carefully planned, high quality summer programs encourage youth participation and retention, providing them with life changing experiences. In this session, participants will hear about examples of program quality and learn practical ways to implement assessment measures using NSLA's interactive program planning guide. **(Session offered Morning and Afternoon)**

Thank you to **National Summer Learning Association** and **Boys & Girls Club of Newark** for providing a workshop and collaborating with the ECOST Conference planning committee.



25 years of making summers matter



Panel Discussion

4. Strengthening School Relationships:

Strategies for School / CBO Partnership Success

Panel Moderated by Monica Hall; Victoria Foundation

This workshop will feature a panel of leaders and OST providers in the Newark Public Schools district. The panel will discuss best practices for forging relationships with school administrators to ensure a "win/win" for the school and the Community Based Organization. **(Victoria Foundation grantees are encouraged to attend. Session offered Afternoon)**

Early Child Care Workshops

5. Concepts and Creativity: The Pairing of Math and Art

Jessica Rios; Newark Public Schools

This workshop focuses on creative processes that allow students to form deeper, more natural connections between math concepts and art exploration. **(Session offered Morning and Afternoon)**

6. Nature Experiences for Little Explorers

Theresa Gonnella; Essex County Environmental Center

This program will provide parents/teachers with practical hands-on nature activities and crafts that will excite and engage children to learn about the world around them. **(Session offered Morning and Afternoon)**

School Age & Early Child Care Workshops

7. LEGOS: They're More than a Toy!

Tara Williams-Harrington; MBA Brick City Bricks 4 Kidz®

This session will provide out-of-school time staff with an opportunity to broaden your thinking about LEGOS and how to use them in your program. The facilitator will guide you through multiple hands-on LEGO activities and provide you with fresh new ideas using LEGOs! **(Morning Session –School Age Child Care ONLY; Afternoon Session- Early Child Care ONLY)**

8. Teaching in Place: STEAM Outdoors

Christine Whorton; Teacher Naturalist; N.J. Audubon Society

Using New Jersey Audubon's Bridges to the Natural World, participants will explore ways in which the outdoors can be used to enhance your after school program. Learn how to reconnect children with nature and explore how science, technology, engineering, art and math activities can be cultivated into the outdoor classroom. **(Morning Session ONLY)**

9. Time to Play!

Trainer; American Camp Association, NY & NJ

Keeping children with various learning abilities and interests engaged can be a challenge. This session will provide interactive and unique activities that combine educational components with traditional camp games. Staff will explore new ideas for activity implementation and gain tools to bring back to their program. **(Session offered Morning and Afternoon)**



Unable to register online?

Please return the following form along with your money order for \$15.00 made payable to:

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All mailed registrations must be postmarked by 6/18/18.

QUESTIONS? CALL (973) 744 - 4050, ext. 1063

or email rgillett@programsforparents.org

Name: _____

NJ Workforce Registry ID #: _____

(If registering multiple participants, please complete one registration form for each person)

Please select your learning track:

Early Child Care School Age Child Care

Title: _____

Center Name: _____

Center Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

(Please put the numbers of your workshop choices in the boxes below.)

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