



**Providing Early Literacy
Environments for Young Children**

February 2020

Dear Early Childhood Professional:

This year's 44th Annual Concordia University Chicago Early Childhood Conference will be held on Friday, August 7, 2020. For several years we have been providing an opportunity for Early Childhood Professionals to meet, learn and interact with each other at this annual event. In light of your dedication and expertise, the program committee is extending an invitation to present at this year's conference. The 2020 EC Conference theme is ***"Planting Seeds of Literacy: Providing Early Literacy Environments for Young Children."***

To meet the needs of participants, we are looking for current trends in literacy, math, science, art and music as well as developmentally appropriate technology and interactive multimedia tools that enhance your specific content area. Presentations focusing on literacy, a classroom environment supporting literacy, children's books, or integrating literacy into other subject areas would also be welcomed and encouraged but not a presentation requirement.

Attached is a conference presentation proposal form. Please email the completed proposal, resume, and goals for your presentation to Doris Knuth/Donna Tennis at dorisknuth5@gmail.com by March 31, 2020. Note that the presentation proposal form can be downloaded and filled in electronically using the Adobe Reader application.

All presenters will be confirmed via email in late spring 2020. As a token of our thanks for presenting, you will receive a small honorarium, free conference registration, and entrance to a special presenter's luncheon the day of the conference.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Doris Knuth & Donna Tennis
Program Committee

*Email proposals by **March 31, 2020** to:*

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