

# CAPITAL AREA CHAPTER OF PENNAEYC MINI CONFERENCE







## 7:30 AM-12:30 PM

Crosspoint United Methodist Church 430 Colonial Road, Harrisburg 17109

Information on where to obtain documentation of your attendance will be included in your conference folder materials. Three DHS and PA Key professional development hours will be awarded to those attending all sessions. CEUs are not offered at this event. Pennsylvania Department of Education Act 48 credits will be awarded thanks to ECETA.



Every participant will receive a voucher (\$11.00 value) for lunch from one of two food trucks immediately following the event!

\* Masks are required.

#### Capital Area Chapter of PennAEYC Welcome

The Capital Area Chapter of PennAEYC (CACPennAEYC) is excited to invite you and your colleagues to participate once again in our annual professional development event and reconnect with ECE professionals for a time of in-person learning and networking. The Capital Area Early Childhood mini conference is being offered to bring early learning professionals together on a smaller scale at a new location, the CrossPoint United Methodist Church in Harrisburg. As always, this event is especially designed for early childhood professionals and advocates who work with and on behalf of young children. This year's conference will offer a selection of educational workshops led by highly qualified instructors, an inspirational keynote speaker, an assortment of vendors, and additional resources for up-to-date information on early care and education. Seating is limited, so be sure to register early! Three DHS and PA Key professioal development hours will be awarded to those attending all sessions.

We look forward to seeing you on March 5, 2022!

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### Keynote Speaker AMY ZOELLNER

#### BOUNCING BACK!

In this inspiring keynote session, Amy will highlight the importance of resilience and

you'll leave with practical solutions to help you and the children in your classroom bounce back after both major and minor life events force you down. You will leave this workshop feeling re-energized and with a mindset that reminds you that, "The comeback is always stronger than the setback." - Dr. Jill Murray

Amy was involved in Eary Childhood for over twenty years starting out as a toddler and preschool teacher and then moving into training and coaching early childhood teachers. Her favorite part of her job was helping teachers gain confidence and assisting entire centers improve the quality of services they offered to children and their families. Amy has an Associates degree in Early Childhood Education, a Bachelor's degree in Applied Behavioral Science, a Master's degree in Training and Development, and she recently obtained her PA real estate license which gave her an opportunity to change careers when Covid completely shut down live training. On the surface, it may seem like her new career is totally different from ECE but the things she learned from working in Early Childhood, like how to develop relationships, how to listen, and how to understand others' perspectives have been absolutely pertinent to her new journey.

Amy is looking forward to being in front of a crowd again and seeing so many of her old friends!

#### **Gold Sponsor**

#### Lebanon Valley College

Lebanon College offers both undergraduate and graduate opportunities in Education. Undergraduate students can complete a degree in Early Childhood Education and Special Education; post-baccalaureate students can complete requirements for PDE level I certification; and educators seeking professional development or graduate studies can choose from 3 master's degrees (M.Ed., M.S. in STEM Education, and Mast of Music Education) and five certificate programs (Integrative STEM Education; Social, Emotional & Behavioral Wellness; Online Teaching & Learning; Comprehensive Curriculum & Assessment (PreK-4); and Modern Band). For more information visit www.lvc.edu.

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#### Sessions

8:30am-10:30am

#### Developmental Milestones and Red Flags

Presenter: Kim Alloway, Inclusion Support Coach, Child Care Consultants with Teresa Wilson, Technical Assistance Coach. Child Care Consultants

Developmental Milestones/Red Flags, sensory development and social emotional strategies for working with young children will all be covered in this session. Sensory Regulation will be discussed so practitioners will gain an understanding of how these differences may impact a child's functioning in the classroom and how to support children.

#### Teaching Young Children to Think Optimistically

Presenter: Jenn Wertz, Quality Coach, Child Care Consultants , ELRC 9 & 10

Based on the book "Making Lemonade: Teaching Young Children to Think Optimistically", this training will explain how to teach optimism to children. Optimists tend to be healthier, happier and more successful in life. And the best thing about it? Optimism can be taught and learned.

#### Child's Play! Developing Emotional Intelligence Through Play Experiences

Presenter: Leslie Rapsey, ECMH Consultant, PA KEYS

This workshop gives participants an opportunity to reflect, sing, move, and PLAY as we discover how to facilitate play experiences that help chldren develop Emotional Intelligence. Hundreds of ideas and activities will be shared by peers and presenter.

#### Schedule

Participants will attend one professional development workshop and the keynote session.

Check in/ Pastries/Vendors	7:30am- 8:15am
Session	8:30am-10:30am
Vendors	10:30am- 11:20am
Keynote	11:30am-12:30pm
Food Trucks	12:30pm

#### Registration Information

REGISTER EARLY: Online Registrations Only!

Conference space is limited to 150 participants. Walk-in registrations may not be accepted.

The three morning sessions will be limited to 50 participants per session.

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Registration must be completed online and paid for at that time.

REGISTER HERE: https://2022miniconference.eventbrite.com

Conference fee for ALL participants . . . . \$25.00

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Cancellation requests must be received in writing on or before Friday, March 4, 2022. A refund will be given minus a \$5 handling fee. Send request to Dara Groff at cacpennaeyc@gmail.com. In the event that the conference is cancelled due to unforseen circumstances (i.e., natural disaster, COVID), refunds will be issued after deducting non-reimbursable conference costs.