

Vermont Child Care Providers Association



The VCCPA is a statewide, not for profit, professional organization offering peer support as well as access to information and resources. We advocate on the state and national levels to assure that the needs of child care professionals are met. We believe that meeting provider's needs leads to a more stable child care system and higher quality care for children.

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2014 – 2015

MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS*

DATES: SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

TIME: 6:15 PM – 8:15 PM

IN PERSON: OCT AND NOV, 2014 MEETINGS ONLY
364 WHITE STREET, SOUTH BURLINGTON

CALL IN: TELEPHONE # 1 (712) 432-1212
MEETING ID #121-132-070 (FOLLOWED BY #)

- MEETING CHANGES WILL BE REFLECTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT VCCPA.ORG

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

UPCOMING VCCPA EVENTS

Save the Dates!

VCCPA will sponsor and/or attend the following Events/Conferences:

Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children (VAEYC) Conference

Friday and Saturday, October 24th and 25th
UVM's Davis Center, Burlington, Vermont
Visit vaeyc.org for more information

BCCCA

Saturday, November 1st
Visit bccca.net for more information

VCCPA Annual Conference (2nd Annual)

April, 11th
Steak House Restaurant, Barre, Vermont
Annual Board Meeting will follow the conference

VCCPA Annual Retreat

May 18th
Location TBD

OUTREACH & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Act 166, Vermont's Universal Public Preschool legislation continues to move forward in the rule making process. New applications for TEACH scholarships will be accepted soon. If you are interested in obtaining your Associates Degree or Teacher Licensure please go to VCCPA website (VCCPA.org) or VAEYC website (VAEYC.org) for more information on the TEACH scholarships.

Shared Services are being highlighted in the provider arena. Please visit the Vermont Birth to Three website () for more information on Shared Services in Vermont.

Providers can also check out the VCCICC website(childcareindustry.org) for opportunities on college level classes in Early Childhood Education that are being offered in your area for a HUGE discount on regular Community College of Vermont (CCV) tuition prices.

VCCPA continues to move forward with our efforts to familiarize providers with Family Child Care Environmental Rating Scale (FCCERS) assessment and using Teaching Strategies Gold (TS Gold). Any provider needing advisement on either of these processes please contact us at vtchildcareprovassoc@gmail.com.

-Cindy Daniels

ECO-HEALTHY CHILD CARE



Imagine it. Vermont's Green Mountains and Green Child Care Programs. What a great combination to help Vermont's youngest citizens off to a healthy beginning; not to mention keeping their caregivers energized and well.

Vermont is home to ten Eco-Healthy child care programs certified by the Children's Environmental Health Network (CEHN). Without a lot of effort and/or funds, many other programs in Vermont could also carry this label of distinction. Most of you already have many of the necessary practices in place; such as washing fruits and vegetables – lessening pesticide exposure, no-smoking policies, digital versus mercury containing thermometers, ACMI approved, non-toxic art supplies and keeping garbage covered.

Future newsletters will feature one of CEHN's easy steps to a healthier environment. We'd love to see the number of Eco-Healthy Child Care Programs in Vermont rise. If you are interested in learning more, please visit www.cehn.org or email Meri Saldadino at petermerisal@gmail.com. Together we can make Vermont greener!

-Meri Saladino

NOTEWORTHY

The official launch of SharedServicesVT.org will be at the VAEYC Conference on October 23rd – 25th. Sign up at the conference or thereafter to save time, money and resources. All STARS participants qualify for free access to the website from October, 2014 through December, 2015. More information will be coming soon.

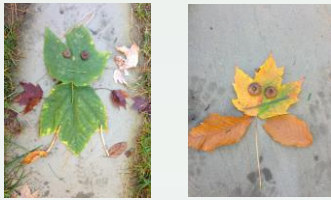
KID'S CORNER

By April Christenson

LET'S READ!



Share the book **We're Going on a Leaf Hunt** by Steve Metzger and **Leaf Man** by Lois Ehlert. For a book sharing extension, go on your own leaf hunt and make your own leaf men!



CREATIVE EXPRESSION

Create Autumn Trees

Materials:

- "Bleeding" tissue paper, cut into 1" squares
- Cardstock with basic tree outline (printed or drawn)
- Paintbrush and spray bottle
- Water

Directions:

Lightly brush paper with water. Lay tissue paper on as desired. Mist with spray bottle. Let dry and gently peel away tissue paper.



QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

July 1, 2014 - September 30, 2014

New Members:

- Tara Baillargeon
- Natasha Merchant
- Erin Mckechnie
- Tami Dodge
- Heather Forsyth
- Donna Meacham
- Patricia Lykens
- Karen Sweet
- Staci Otis
- Dennielle Brinkman
- Cronin Sleeper
- Penny Cote
- Pamela Drew
- Christina Nelson
- Cathi Ste. Marie
- Emily Creighton-Pryer
- Karen Mugford
- Barbara Acebo-Constantine
- Alicia Watts
- Judith Trombley
- Lori Henry
- Tasha Greene
- Jessica Williams
- Lindsey Liebig
- Sean Gilhooly
- Kim Marquette
- Leslie Rocheleau
- Linda Fisher
- Elizabeth Nadeau
- Amanda Pigeon
- Krista Meyerhoff
- Marta Hammon
- Kristina Anderson
- Deena Waters
- Amy Corey
- Martha Demers
- April Christenson
- Penny Howes
- Lucy Dober
- Amy Jacobs
- Michelle Baker

Renewing Members:

- Kathleen Tellez
- Teresa Fowler
- Pam White
- Kathleen Burroughs
- Kelley Hackett
- Vicki Langevin
- Nicole White-Fogarty
- Ann Tuttle
- Barb LeClair
- Michelle Sherwin
- Muffy Kashkin-Grollier
- Lori Gratton
- Cathleen Francis
- De-Ann Bartemy
- Suzanne Lague
- Cindy Daniels
- Michelle Scott
- Kathy Burnham
- Donna Leicht
- Meri Saladino
- Shirley Rogers
- Paulette Fedorishen
- Beth Wilkins
- Melissa Rollo

Welcome all new members!

And a BIG thank you to all our renewing members. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!



Become a member or renew your membership today! You can now renew NAFCC and VCCPA memberships at the same time!

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