



VERMONT HIGHER EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE

The Vermont Higher Education Collaborative (VT-HEC) Presents...

*High-quality professional development with well-known local and national experts
focused on the needs of Early Childhood Educators*

Fall 2018 Offerings

[Tips and Tools for Early Childhood Special Educators](#)

November 7: *Trader Duke's Hotel, South Burlington, VT*

Cost: \$190, lunch included

This workshop, presented by Judith Masson, M.Ed., will sharpen your skills and add to your toolbox as we walk through the special education process. We will explore tips and tools related to: lesson plans, data collection and evidence-informed programming decisions; paraprofessional supports and consultation; and transitions into early childhood special education, as well as kindergarten. Go to www.vthec.org for more information and registration.

[Early Childhood Trauma: Causes, Impacts, and Effective Strategies for Addressing Relationships with Children and Their Families](#)

November 30: *Capitol Plaza, Montpelier, VT*

Cost: \$190, lunch included

The growing body of neuroscience research shows that crucial support and interventions, before a child turns 3 years old, yields the best potential outcomes for children with trauma. Jennifer Auletta, MA, LCMHC, BC-DMT, will share valuable resources and experiences, provide an introduction to the impact of trauma, and offer concrete strategies to support young children and their families. Go to www.vthec.org for more information and registration.

Balancing the Ledger: Strategies for Operating Child Care Programs in the Black

December 8: *Capitol Plaza, Montpelier, VT*

Cost: \$120, lunch included

Becca Schrader and Elena Gustavson will present this one-day workshop designed to answer the question, "How do we provide quality early care and education and stay afloat as a business?" Whether you are a director of a large center or operate a small family child care program, identifying and understanding the tools and practices that can help make your program more financially stable are critical to your success. *This workshop is offered at significant cost reduction through the VT-HEC Mission Investment Fund. Additional scholarships may be available.*



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Coming in Spring 2019

Just Playing Around: Teaching PreK-Grade 3 STEM Through Inquiry, Exploration, and Play

Spring 2019

Location and presenters TBD

This three-part workshop series is based on the concept of STEM as play in which children are engaged in asking questions, making discoveries, experimenting, and working with others; the format of each workshop will reflect this approach. The series is for prekindergarten to third grade teachers. It will start with a focus on science followed by mathematics. Engineering will be presented as an application of science and mathematical concepts, and technology is woven throughout the series. The series may also be taken as a 2-credit course.

Please contact Manuela Fonseca (manuela.fonseca@vthec.org) for questions about the timing and content of the course.

Child Care Business Administration

Spring 2019

Location and presenters TBD

This course is designed for early childhood professionals interested in child care administration, as well as current and seasoned administrators seeking additional program management training. It will be team taught by experts in specific areas of program administration along with experienced early educators. The four sessions are designed to help early childhood entrepreneurs/directors develop skills, knowledge, resources and tools for effective legal and financial program management. Participants can attend individual topics/sessions or sign up for all four sessions and complete additional requirements for 3 college credits. This offering is in partnership with Vermont Birth to Five.

Please contact Tanya LaChapelle (Tanya@vermontbirthtofive.org) for questions about the timing and content of the course.

The VT-HEC (VT Higher Education Collaborative) is one of Vermont's largest statewide providers of professional development focused on the education, health and well-being of children and youth.

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