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Four Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (CCR&Rs), located across Kansas, provide services to all 105 counties. Together, we offer many services for families, child care providers and community members.

Our Resource Center makes finding quality child care programs quick and easy for parents and families.

For child care providers and early learning staff, professional development opportunities and resources are available.

For local communities, supply and demand data paints the picture about child care.

These are just a few of our many services - for more details about all of the work we do, please contact your local CCR&R.

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## Kid-Approved Snowy Day Activities

Here are a few snowy day activities to keep children using their imaginations and working on sensory and large motor skills during the cold winter months.

### Imagination Skills

- Grab some cardboard boxes and create! Let the imaginations flow, a box can be anything - a train, a ramp for toy cars, an airplane, or a house.

### Sensory Skills

- Whipped cream is a wonderful indoor sensory activity for toddlers. Scoop some on a cookie sheet and let the children have fun. Do a little preparation, this activity can get messy.

### Large Motor Skills

- Bowl indoors! Grab a soft kid-sized ball and set up a few items for pins (such as pop bottles and paper towel tubes).

- Put tape across a doorway. Throw balled up newspaper or cotton balls at the sticky side.

- Tape a line on the floor in different designs (zig zag, curvy or straight). Encourage the children to walk along the design, focusing on their balance. Now, have the children try walking backwards.

### Save the Date! Child Care Provider Coalition Annual Conference

Friday, April 17, 2020,  
12:00 PM - 4:30 PM  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
Members Only Social

Saturday, April 18, 2020,  
7:00 AM - 5:00 PM



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# FAMILY FOCUS



## Celebrating Unique Temperaments

Recognizing and reflecting on your own temperament and preferences is an important activity. Perhaps you enjoy always being on the go and thrive with constant stimulation – music, lights, and movement. Now, imagine what it might be like for a child that needs calm, soothing environments!

**Flexible and Easy:** Initiate communication about emotions. Model appropriate language to help children be more aware and understand their emotions. Remind them that their feelings are recognized and important. Encourage them to verbalize their needs with others. This might be as simple as telling a friend: "When Erika takes your doll, you can tell her "I'm playing with it, but you can have a turn when I'm done."

**Feisty and Active:** Be flexible and patient in your interactions. Provide opportunities for children to make choices. Encourage active play and allow for physical movements to expend high energy levels. Give plenty of advanced warning of schedule changes and consider giving them some type of leadership role, such as holding a timer or announcing the time to change. Acknowledge their feelings and point out when they are calm to help them recognize their emotions.

**Fearful and Cautious:** Set up the environment so things are in the same place. Stick to clear and predictable routines as much as possible. Provide additional preparation and support when changes in environment, situations, or people occur. Use pictures and language to remind children what will happen next. Encourage and support exploration and increasing independence. Support cautious children during a new experience by taking them to the activity, stepping back, remaining available and moving on.

Recognizing each child's unique temperament will allow you to adapt your approach to meet each child's needs! Certain strategies might be particularly impactful with certain temperament types. Here are a few common personalities and some strategies to support children in your care:

Overall, refrain from judging children's temperaments as a 'good' or 'bad' characteristics. Remember each child's personality contributes to a group/team in your child care program.



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### CALL

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# INFORMATION FROM CHILD CARE AWARE® OF KANSAS - REGION ONE

## Professional Development Opportunities

To Register [Click Here](#) or Call: 855-750-3343

Date	Title	Trainer	Time	Location	Hrs	Cost
1/15/2020	Safe Slumber: Creating a Safe Sleep Environment-Free for CCQI participants	Chelsy Spiller	6:30 PM	Hutchinson Public Library-901 N Main, Hutchinson	2	\$15
1/16/2020	Social and Emotional Literacy	JoAnn Henry	6:30 PM	McPherson Free Methodist Church-1010 S Maple St., McPherson	2	\$15
1/18/2020	Adult, Child and Pediatric First Aid & CPR	Kendra Pratt	8:30 AM	First United Church Presbyterian-200 West Street, Clifton	4	\$50
1/30/2020	Time Out! Taking Care of YOU!- Free for Saline County Providers	JoAnn Henry	6:30 PM	First United Methodist Church- 122 N. 8th Street, Salina	2	\$15
2/4/2020	Environments, Routines, and Strategies that Support Social and Emotional Development in Young Children-Free for CCQI participants	Chelsy Spiller	6:30 PM	Barton County Community College Rm F30 - 245 Northeast 30 Road, Great Bend	2	\$15
2/13/2020	After Disaster or Trauma: The Social-Emotional Support Children Need (Health and Safety Training)	JoAnn Henry	6:30 PM	Cloud County Community College-2221 Campus Dr #255, Concordia	2	\$15
2/20/2020	Helping Parents Deal with Separation-Free for CCQI participants	Chelsy Spiller	6:30 PM	Hutchinson Public Library-901 N Main, Hutchinson	2	\$15
2/22/2020	Adult, Child and Pediatric First Aid & CPR	Samantha Sulsar	8:30 AM	Child Care Aware Salina Office-1508 E. Iron, Salina	4	\$60
2/27/2020	Postpartum: Supporting Families in Child Care	JoAnn Henry	6:30 PM	First United Methodist Church- 122 N. 8th Street, Salina	2	\$15
3/5/2020	Social and Emotional Literacy	JoAnn Henry	6:30 PM	Neighbor to Neighbor-803 N. Cedar Street, Abilene	2	\$15
3/19/2020	Get Off the Sidelines, Get Into the Game- Free for Saline County Providers	JoAnn Henry	6:30 PM	First United Methodist Church- 122 N. 8th Street, Salina	2	\$15
3/21/2020	Get Outside, Learn Outside: Environmental Education for Early Childhood- Free for L2Q Participants	Susan Pearson	9:00 AM	Ulysses Methodist Church-321 West Grant, Ulysses	6	\$45
3/24/2020	Supporting Children with Special Health Care Needs (Free to CCQI Participants)	Chelsy Spiller	6:30 PM	Hutchinson Public Library-901 N Main, Hutchinson	2	\$15

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# Professional Development Opportunities

Costs listed are for Child Start Members that have pre-registered; if not a Member, please call 800-684-3962.

Date	Title	Trainer	Time	Location	Hrs	Cost
1/4/2020	Adult CPR/AED, Pediatric CPR and First Aid- Call 316-683-2645 for payment and registration	Mike Ferguson	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	6	Call
1/9/2020	"I want my baby to read"; Supporting Parents in Guiding Early Language and Literacy Development	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/11/2020	Basic Child Development and Supervision	Susan Wade	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/11/2020	Safe Slumber: Creating a Safe Sleep Environment	Susan Wade	11:30 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/11/2020	Child Abuse, Neglect & Head Trauma	Susan Wade	1:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/11/2020	Keeping Children Safe: Environment and Transportation Safety	Susan Wade	3:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/16/2020	Literacy: More Than Just Reading	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/18/2020	Adult CPR/AED, Pediatric CPR and First Aid- Call 316-683-2645 for payment and registration	Mike Ferguson	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	6	Call
1/21/2020	Teaching Children to Become Writers	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/25/2020	Emergency Preparedness for Child Care Providers	Susan Wade	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/25/2020	Healthy Environments: Disease Prevention and Control	Susan Wade	11:30 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/25/2020	Medication Administration in Child Care	Susan Wade	1:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/25/2020	Happy Meals: Safe Food Practices and Allergy Awareness	Susan Wade	3:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
1/28/2020	Beauty in the Lives of Young Children	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/6/2020	Importance of Circle Time	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/8/2020	Basic Child Development and Supervision	Susan Wade	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/8/2020	Safe Slumber: Creating a Safe Sleep Environment	Susan Wade	11:30 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/8/2020	Child Abuse, Neglect & Head Trauma	Susan Wade	1:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/8/2020	Keeping Children Safe: Environment and Transportation Safety	Susan Wade	3:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/11/2020	Fostering Children's Thinking	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/15/2020	Adult CPR/AED, Pediatric CPR and First Aid- Call 316-683-2645 for payment and registration	Mike Ferguson	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	6	Call
2/20/2020	Embedded Learning	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/22/2020	Emergency Preparedness for Child Care Providers	Susan Wade	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/22/2020	Healthy Environments: Disease Prevention and Control	Susan Wade	11:30 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/22/2020	Medication Administration in Child Care	Susan Wade	1:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/22/2020	Happy Meals: Safe Food Practices and Allergy Awareness	Susan Wade	3:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/25/2020	Child-Centered Teaching and Learning	Susan Wade	7:00 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
2/29/2020	Adult CPR/AED, Pediatric CPR and First Aid	Mike Ferguson	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	6	Call
3/7/2020	Basic Child Development and Supervision	Susan Wade	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/7/2020	Safe Slumber: Creating a Safe Sleep Environment	Susan Wade	11:30 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/7/2020	Child Abuse, Neglect & Head Trauma	Susan Wade	1:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/7/2020	Keeping Children Safe: Environment and Transportation Safety	Susan Wade	3:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/14/2020	Adult CPR/AED, Pediatric CPR and First Aid- Call 316-683-2645 for payment and registration	Mike Ferguson	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	6	Call
3/14/2020	Emergency Preparedness for Child Care Providers	Susan Wade	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/14/2020	Healthy Environments: Disease Prevention and Control	Susan Wade	11:30 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/14/2020	Medication Administration in Child Care	Susan Wade	1:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/14/2020	Happy Meals: Safe Food Practices and Allergy Awareness	Susan Wade	3:30 PM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	2	\$12
3/28/2020	Adult CPR/AED, Pediatric CPR and First Aid- Call 316-683-2645 for payment and registration	Mike Ferguson	9:00 AM	Child Start-1002 S. Oliver, Wichita	6	Call
2019 Members pay \$12, Non-members pay \$20. Additional \$3 fee for walk-ins.						

# KickStart 101

## KickStart Training Program

Earn your initial training faster than ever before!

Now you can get all of your initial training in just two Saturdays (in addition to CPR):

- **Saturday #1: KickStart 101: Basic Child Development with Supervision (2 hrs), Safe Slumber (2 hrs), Child Abuse, Neglect & Head Trauma (2 hrs), Keeping Children Safe: Environment & Transportation Safety (2 hrs)= Total of 8 in-service hours**
- **Saturday #2: KickStart 102: Emergency Preparedness (2 hrs); Healthy Environments: Disease Prevention & Control (2 hrs), Medication Administration (2hrs), Happy Meals: Safe Food Practices & Allergy Awareness (2 hrs) = Total of 8 in-service hours**

Cost: Non-Members: \$75 per KickStart - Includes Lunch

Members: \$45 per KickStart - Includes Lunch

Visit [childstart.org](http://childstart.org) for more information!

## New, Improved TrailBlazer Badges!

Earn badges Event Faster!

Attention award seekers! You can now earn TrailBlazer badges even faster!

Each month there will be a new badge opportunity. Earn those badges, show them proudly, and receive FREE training each time you complete three badges!

Learn more at [childstart.org/trailblazer](http://childstart.org/trailblazer)



## Purchase a 2020 Professional Development Membership!

Save Money, Save Time

Members save 40% on most trainings in Butler, Cowley, Harvey, Sedgwick and Sumner counties! Additionally, members save on CPR courses through LifeSaver Learning, can schedule private trainings to be held at your child care center, receive free Mini Learning Adventures, access the Resource Library and much more!

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### Save the Date!

Registration Coming Soon!

Camp GWC

Saturday, March 29, 2020

Central Community Church, Wichita

Each year over 250 professionals from across the state join together for a full day of learning, meeting other professionals, shopping, prizes, and fun. Each year we look forward to new and exciting topics so you can walk away with ideas ready to implement!



# Professional Development Opportunities

To Register Visit: <http://east.ks.childcareaware.org>

Date	Title	Trainer	Time	Location	Hrs	Cost
1/2/2020	Fun with Phonological Awareness- Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/6/2020	The Role of Staff in an Effective Classroom- Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Grace Cott	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/9/2020	The Color of Their Eyes: Exploring Intentional Teaching- Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/11/2020	Foundations of Quality Child Care, Part 1-This class meets 4 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Rebecca Quigley	9:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	6	*\$30
1/14/2020	Cut It Out- Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Susan Drewelow	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/16/2020	Fabulous Feelings- Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Audrey Danielson	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/21/2020	Understanding and Guiding Children's Behavior- Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/25/2020	Foundations of Quality Child Care, Part 2- This class meets 4 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Rebecca Quigley	9:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	6	*\$30
1/28/2020	Keeping Children Safe: Environment and Transportation Safety-This class meets 2 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Susan Drewelow	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/29/2020	Building Character in Young Children-Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
1/30/2020	Brain Basics-Free to Literacy Connections program participants	Audrey Danielson	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/4/2020	Happy Meals: Safe Food Practices and Allergy Awareness-This class meets 2 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Karen Rogenmoser	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/5/2020	Sharks or Toddlers? Dealing with Biting	Rebecca Quigley	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/6/2020	Director's Toolbox: Wage and Hour Seminar	Trini Najera Murguia	1:00 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	3	\$0
2/6/2020	Healthy Environments: Disease Prevention and Control-This class meets 2 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Talia Juiliano	6:30 PM	Kids First, Frontenac United Methodist Church- 102 S Cayuga St., Frontenac	2	\$0
2/8/2020	Using the Scientific Method for Meaningful Learning- <b>Call 785-823-3343 to register &amp; pay for the training.</b>	Debbie Thomas	9:00 AM	Good Sheperd Child Care-128 W. Elm St., Columbus	2	\$15
2/8/2020	STEAM through Stories- Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Susan Drewelow & Michelle Gilbert	10:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/12/2019	Best Practices in Diapering, Toileting and Handwashing	Susan Drewelow	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/13/2020	Positive Behavior Expectations-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Audrey Danielson	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/18/2020	Schedules, Routines, and Transitions-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Grace Cott	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/19/2020	Observing Children: Taking Useful and Objective Notes-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Rebecca Quigley	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/20/2020	Building Essential Life Skills in Young Children-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/24/2020	Experiences Not Experiments-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Susan Drewelow	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/25/2020	Gender Differences in Teaching and Learning- Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/26/2020	Meaningful Conversations with Infants and Toddlers- Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Audrey Danielson	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
2/27/2020	Making the Most of Meal Time-This class meets 2 of the 4 hours of the annual Healthy and Safety topic requirements. Free to Literacy Connections program participants.	Rebecca Quigley	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/2/2020	Professionalism in Action-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/7/2020	Foundations of Quality Child Care, Part 1-This class meets 4 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Rebecca Quigley	9:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	6	*\$30
3/10/2020	Starting Out Strong: Supporting Social/Emotional Development in Preschoolers-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12

## REGIONAL NEWS FROM CHILD CARE AWARE® OF KANSAS - REGION THREE

3/11/2020	Supportive Roles in Modifying Curriculum-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Susan Drewelow	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/14/2020	Emergency Preparedness for Child Care Providers-This class meets 2 of the 4 annual Health & Safety Topic requirements	Michelle Gilbert	10:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/17/2020	Customer Service in Child Care	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/18/2020	Sensory Exploration and Early Literacy for Infants & Toddlers-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Audrey Danielson	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/21/2020	Foundations of Quality Child Care, Part 2- This class meets 4 of the 4 hours of the annual Health and Safety Topic Requirements.	Rebecca Quigley	9:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	6	*\$30
3/23/2020	Fostering Children's Thinking-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Grace Cott	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/24/2020	Creating a Science Center that will Excite and Ignite- Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Susan Drewelow	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/26/2020	Helping Children and Families Transition to Kindergarten-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Michelle Gilbert	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/28/2020	Chicka Chicka Boom Boom: A to Z Around the Room- Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Michelle Gilbert & Susan Drewelow	10:00 AM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12
3/31/2020	Problem Solving in the Moment-Free to Literacy Connections Program Participants.	Audrey Danielson	6:30 PM	Child Care Aware, Topeka Office- 1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., # 201, Topeka	2	\$12

\*If you register for BOTH Part 1 and Part 2 at the same time, you will receive a discounted class fee of \$50 total for both classes.

### Professional Development Event Registration

For class descriptions and to register online for a class held by Child Care Aware® of Eastern Kansas, visit the Professional Development Calendar in the "Child Care Provider" section of our website, <http://east.ks.childcareaware.org>. You can also call 785-357-5171 in Topeka or 877-678-2548 toll free to register by phone. A printable registration form and our professional development event policies can be found in the "Child Care Providers" section of our website, <http://east.ks.childcareaware.org>. If you register for BOTH Part 1 and Part 2 at the same time, you will receive a discounted class fee of \$50 total for both classes."

## "Supporting Safe and Healthy Child Care Practices" Spring Conference

Join us in March for a spring conference that will meet four hours of required KDHE Child Care Licensing approved Health and Safety Training!

When: Saturday, March 7, 2020, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM (Registration opens at 8 AM that day.)

Where: Allen Community College, Iola, Kansas

Cost: \$25, which includes lunch

*Cosponsored by Allen Community College and Child Care Aware® of Kansas.*

Advanced registration is required and will be available soon! Visit our online class calendar in the child care provider portion of our website, <https://east.ks.childcareaware.org>, for more information and to register online.

## Lending Library Extended Hours

### Topeka's Weekend Lending Library Hours (1100 SW Wanamaker Rd., #201, Topeka)

Saturday, January 4, 2020, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, January 18, 2020, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, February 1, 2020, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, February 15, 2020, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, March 7, 2020, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, March 21, 2020, 9 AM - 12 PM

### Lawrence's Extended Lending Library Hours (2518 Ridge Ct. [Inside United Way Bldg.], Lawrence)

Tuesday, January 14, 2020, 4:30 - 7:30 PM

Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 4:30 - 7:30 PM

Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 4:30 - 7:30 PM

**Offices Closed for Holidays  
Wednesday, January 1, 2020  
Monday, January 20, 2020**

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## Professional Development Opportunities

To Register Call: 800-755-0838

Date	Title	Trainer	Time	Location	Hrs	Cost
1/21/2020	CLASS Overview	6:30 PM	Shari Williams	The Family Conservancy-444 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City	2	\$25
1/23/2020	Child Abuse and Neglect	6:30 PM	Leanne Hilligas	The Family Conservancy-444 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City	2	\$25
2/1/2020	Emergency Preparedness for Child Care Programs, Part 1	9:00 AM	Carol Ayres	Platte County Health Department-1201 East Street, Platte City	3	\$35
2/8/2020	Pediatric First Aid & CPR	9:00 AM	Carol Ayres	The Family Conservancy-444 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City	6	\$75
3/28/2020	Emergency Preparedness for Child Care Programs, Part 1	9:00 AM	Carol Ayres	Kansas City Missouri Health Department-2400 Troost Ave, Kansas City	3	\$35

Registration is required. To enroll by phone, contact Leanne Hilligas at 913.342.1110 X 1913

### Johnson County Community College Early Childhood Continuing Education Courses

**January 28** – Equipping Children for Success Series:  
Academic and Emotional Coaching

**February 03** – Teaching Children to Manage Their  
Emotions

**February 25** – Equipping Children for Success Series:  
Rituals, Routines and Praise

**March 05** – STEAM Series: Integrating Math into the  
Early Childhood Classroom

**March 09** – Spring Art: Process vs. Product

**March 26** – Equipping Children for Success Series:  
Setting Limits and Responding to Misbehavior

All courses are held from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm.

JCCC Campus: Regnier Center Room 175.

To register call: 913-469-2323 or register online at:  
[www.jccc.edu](http://www.jccc.edu). The cost is: \$19.

### The Family Conservancy's Excellence in Early Care and Education Award

This year, The Family Conservancy will honor one early care and education provider who is changing the lives of children.

One winner will be recognized for their commitment to young children, and be honored at The Family Conservancy's annual Provider Appreciation Celebration on May 2, 2020.

We are looking for passionate educators working in preschools, family child care programs and child care centers. Applicants must be nominated by someone other than themselves.

Nominees should meet all of the following criteria:

- Teach/work in the Kansas City Metro.
- Be a current child care provider, infant-toddler or preschool teacher.
- Regularly exceed expectations to create positive outcomes for children.
- Benefited from support provided by The Family Conservancy.

Do you know someone you would like to nominate? Go to <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/ece-award/> and complete the nomination form.

### PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY CELEBRATION

To thank and honor child care programs for the service they provide young children and their families, The Family Conservancy will host an event on Saturday, May 2, 2020 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am at the Children's Campus of Kansas City. Please join us for 2 free clock hours of training as well as food, fun, great door prizes.

If you are interested in attending, please contact  
Stacy Hamilton at: 800-755-0838 ext. 1912 or [shamilton@thefamilyconservancy.org](mailto:shamilton@thefamilyconservancy.org)

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### SAVE THE DATE

The Family Conservancy's Early Childhood  
Fall Symposium

October 3, 2020 at the KU Edwards Campus BEST  
Conference Center in Overland Park

Registration will be available in August.

For more information, contact Leanne Hilligas at  
913-742-4113 or [lhligas@tfckc.org](mailto:lhligas@tfckc.org) or go to [www.thefamilyconservancy.org](http://www.thefamilyconservancy.org).



## KCPT-Sponsored Training for Missouri and Kansas Programs

### Help, Hope and Healing: How to Help Young Children Heal from Traumatic Events

Thursday, January 19, 2020  
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Using Blocks in the Classroom for Early Childhood Providers

Thursday, March 12, 2020  
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Building Connections with Children for Early Childhood Providers

Thursday, May 14, 2020  
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Location: KCPT  
125 E 31st Street  
Kansas City, MO 64108  
Cost: Free

## eLearning: Early Education Classes online

Online courses through The Family Conservancy are designed to help early childhood professionals complete annual training requirements and acquire required training hours for those seeking a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential, CDA credential renewal or in-service training.

Our courses provide a variety of engaging topics designed specifically for the early childhood professional. Courses are convenient and can be accessed from almost any computer with Internet access - no matter where you are.

For more information, go to: [www.thefamilyconservancy.org/services/early-educators/professional-development/elearning](http://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/services/early-educators/professional-development/elearning)

To register, contact Gary Brock at KCPT at 816-398-4321 or go to:  
<https://events.kcpt.org>

## Did you know?

Child Care Aware® of Kansas sends monthly email blasts!

For the latest regional news...

Don't forget to contact your local CCR&R for more information!

Send an email to [info@ks.childcareaware.org](mailto:info@ks.childcareaware.org) to get started!

You will receive up to two emails per month with great info for you and the families you serve.



## Check out these online courses available to any child care provider!

### ONLINE Training Opportunities



Date	Type	Time	Name	Trainer	Hours	Cost
1/7/2020	Interactive Online	6:30 PM	Assessment: The Why and How for Early Educators	Jennifer Pishny	2	\$15
1/8/2020-1/15/2020	Online	9:00 AM	Building Your Business: Starting Strong With the Basics	Marie Treichel	3	\$20
1/22/2020-1/29/2020	Online	9:00 AM	The Journey to Independence: Applying Child Development in Daily Practice	Grace Cott	3	\$20
1/23/2020	Interactive Online	6:30 PM	The Creative Curriculum for Preschool: The Learning Environment Part 3	Kelly Cain-Swart	2	\$15
2/12/2020-2/19/2020	Online	9:00 AM	Positive Play - Strategies to Support Positive Interactions Among Children	Grace Cott	3	\$20
2/25/2020	Interactive Online	6:30 PM	The Great Outdoors	Kelly Cain-Swart	2	\$15
3/11/2020-3/18/2020	Online	9:00 AM	Beyond the Book Nook: Creating a Literacy Rich Environment	Grace Cott	3	\$20

Online- Please contact Child Care Aware of Eastern Kansas to register at 1-877-678-2548 or use payment links available on their class calendar at <https://east.ks.childcareaware.org>. Registration deadline is at noon of the business day prior to class date. Saturday class registrations close at 8 a.m. of the Friday prior to class date.