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**2016 Fall Edition**  
**September to December**

# Professional Development



**For Professionals, Educators and Caregivers...Moving Forward, Rising Up!**

**"The moment you stop learning, you stop leading." ~ Rick Warren**

**Registration starts Friday, July 29, 2016**

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## Hours & News

| Day       | Resource Library   | General Office Hours |
|-----------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Sunday    | <b>Closed</b>      | <b>Closed</b>        |
| Monday    | 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  | 9:00 am - 5:00 pm    |
| Tuesday   | 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm | 9:00 am - 8:00 pm    |
| Wednesday | 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm | 9:00 am - 8:00 pm    |
| Thursday  | 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  | 9:00 am - 5:00 pm    |
| Friday    | <b>Closed</b>      | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm   |
| Saturday  | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm  | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm    |

### Resource Library and Other Closures

The OEYC: Brant will be closed on the following days:

- September 3 to 5, 2016 for Labour Day Holiday
- October 8 to 10, 2016 for the Thanksgiving Weekend
- December 24, 2016 to January 2, 2017 for the Christmas and New Year's Holidays. Re-open January 3, 2017.

Other closures—Together Time will be closed December 10, 2016. Reminder that the Resource Library is closed for inventory July 25 to August 5, 2016.

Ontario Early Years Centre: Brant would like to say thank you to:

- Louise Kool & Galt for the toy donation to the resource library.
- Brant United Way and the CIBC St. Paul Branch staff for giving their time and helping the centre get the backyard prepared for the Community Garden.
- The Brantford Equal Ground Community Garden for all of their support with the OEYC: Brant Community Garden. Special thanks to Gloria Ord.
- The families that use the centre for all of their ongoing support to maintain the gardens. Special thanks to Erinn Burbridge for the donation to the sensory garden.



**Thank You!**

## **Registration starts on Friday, July 29 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

When fees are associated with a workshop, you are required to register in person or by mail and payment must be received prior to completing your registration. Programs with approved billing can register by phone or email. If there is no fee associated with a workshop, you can register in person, by phone at 519-759-3833 or email [registration@eycbrant.ca](mailto:registration@eycbrant.ca).

**REMINDER** - include your name, phone number, address, organization information and the name of the workshops you are registering for when emailing or mailing in your registration.

Cheques are payable to OEYC: Brant and can be mailed to:

**OEYC: Brant, 30 Bell Lane, P.O. Box 25040, Brantford, ON N3T 6K5**

**Note:** We cannot accept fax or voice mail registrations on the first day of registration. If the workshop is full, we will put you on a cancellation list and refer to the list if space becomes available. Please note the registration deadlines listed for each workshop.

**Accessibility Standards for Customer Service** - Community Living Brant recognizes that some people rely on support persons for assistance while accessing services. Fees associated for services within this brochure are waived for the support person if accompanying people on the premises.

### **Cancellation Policy**

- If the minimum number of participants is not reached, the workshop will be cancelled. If it is a paid workshop, participants will receive a gift certificate toward another workshop or a full refund.
- A participant may cancel their registration **14 days prior** to the date of the workshop and can receive a gift certificate toward another workshop or a full refund (up to 3 weeks to process a full refund).

**After this time, no reimbursements will be given.**

- At any time, participants may transfer their registration to another person not already registered (member/non-member fees will apply).

## Brant Learn ECE - Online Learning

### Capacity Building in Brant

As a result of funding by the Ministry of Education to support the Modernization of Child Care in Brant, professionals are able to benefit from free professional development. If you are an Early Learning and Child Care Staff working in Brant within Licensed Child Care, licensed home child care agency, or Family Resource Centres and are a part of the City of Brantford Child Care System, you are eligible for this free online training.

The City of Brantford Child Care Services has partnered with Lansdowne Children's Centre and the Ontario Early Years Centre: Brant to provide local training opportunities.

Why should I register for Brant Learn for the ECE?

- Join other ECE's in Brant that have self registered for free online learning opportunities.
- Convenient - access anywhere, anytime, on any device. Take PD at lunch, at home, after the kids are in bed... at your leisure and on your own schedule.
- Saves time and money - learn at your own pace.
- No pressure - you are educating yourself. No pressures of keeping up or waiting for others.
- Help - Take the Brant Learn for the ECE (BLECE) Training Participant Tool before you begin to help you navigate through Brant Learn. If something is not clear, connect with an instructor.

Get connected! Go to [www.eycbrant.ca/ece](http://www.eycbrant.ca/ece) and see what is required to join and log on <https://blece.desire2learn.com>.



\*Free to those working in child care and early learning sites— see website for eligibility

**Self register for one or more of the following workshops available:**

- ◆ ADD - What is it?
- ◆ An Introduction to “How Does Learning Happen?” 
- ◆ Biting
- ◆ BLECE Participant Training Tool
- ◆ Breaking Down the Four Foundations
- ◆ Childhood Anxiety
- ◆ Down Syndrome
- ◆ Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder 101
- ◆ Following the Professional Path
- ◆ Fostering Brant’s Growth in Early Learning and Child Care
- ◆ Gender Differences
- ◆ Haudenosaunee People 
- ◆ Helping Children Learn
- ◆ How to Let Your Strengths Show
- ◆ Introduction to ELECT
- ◆ Just One Bite
- ◆ Observation - Take a Good Look
- ◆ Partnering With Parents
- ◆ Physical Literacy
- ◆ Relationship Building is the Child’s Emotional Glue
- ◆ Routines and Transitions
- ◆ Safe Spaces
- ◆ Take a “PAWS” to Understand the Role of Service Dogs
- ◆ Teaching Kids to Care
- ◆ Tips on Toileting
- ◆ Uniquely You, discovering the temperament traits
- ◆ Why is This Room so LOUD?!

**Track Your Training!**

Request a Professional Development (P.D.) card to track your training and submit your completed card for a recognition certificate. Workshop certificates are also provided after each P.D. session. Congratulations to the following who have received a recognition certificate:

**Linda O’Donnell**

**Stacey Small**

## Professional Development Workshops

### Standard First Aid Level C CPR

Presented by OEYC: Brant

October 18, 25, November 1 and 8 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Cost: \$110 or \$100 for full membership holders

(Covers the cost of materials, light snacks)

Standard First Aid with Level C CPR is a requirement for everyone working in child care to meet the new Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014, Staff Qualifications section, item 58...2). Every licensee shall ensure that every employee working at a child care centre and every provider of home child care or in-home services has a valid certification in standard first aid, including infant and child CPR, issued by a training agency recognized by the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board or otherwise approved by a Director. This training meets the requirements of the new Child Care and Early Years Act (CCEYA). You must attend all 4 sessions to receive your certificate.

**Register by Thursday, October 6.**



### Reflective Practice

Presented by OEYC: Brant

Wednesday, September 14 and 28 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$5 (covers the cost of materials)

Reflection is a process that we go through to learn and grow in our professional practice. Join us for 2 sessions on the importance of reflection and the impact it has on the program, staff and the child.

**Register by Thursday, September 1.**

### Pedagogical Documentation

Presented by OEYC: Brant

Tuesday, October 4 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Cost: 5 (covers the cost of materials)

Pedagogy is the study of teaching and learning. Pedagogical documentation includes people, places and events that provide thoughtful reflection. Let's look at the process and practice together.

**Register by Thursday, September 22.**

## **Professional Development Workshops**

### **Signed English Sign Language Series**

Presented by OEYC: Brant Trained Sign Language Facilitator

Wednesdays, September 28 to October 26 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$40 and \$35 full membership holders

(Covers the cost of materials)

Learn how to incorporate Signed English sign language into everyday interactions with children. Emphasis on functional vocabulary for preschool children. All participants receive a Signed English Starter dictionary book and the Signed English Songbook. This is a certificate course. **Register by Thursday, September 15.**

### **Reaching In Reaching Out (RIRO)**

Presented by OEYC: Brant

Saturday, November 12 and 26 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Must attend both days

Cost: \$40 or \$35 for full membership holders (includes the cost of materials and lunch)

Reaching In Reaching Out (RIRO) is an evidence based skills training program designed to promote resilience in children 6 years of age and younger. It helps adults to help children cope more effectively with life's inevitable stresses and challenges. The first session will focus on the adult skills and the second session will focus on the child skills component to this training. Each session builds upon the next.

**Register by Thursday, October 27.**

### **Let's Talk Behaviour...Strategies to Calm Even the Busiest Child**

Presented by OEYC: Brant

Wednesday, September 21 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Cost: 5 (covers the cost of materials)

Educators of children 0 - 6 years. Learn behaviour guidance strategies to support self-regulation for children with challenging or very busy behaviours. This workshop includes visual picture supports and research-based behaviour strategies that will be supportive for home and classroom environments.

**Register by Thursday, September 15.**

## **Professional Development Workshops**

### **Active Listening**

Presented by: OEYC: Brant

Thursday, November 3 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$5 (covers the cost of materials)

Listening with all the senses, concentrating on what's being said and really hearing the message is the focus. We will explore activities and discussion while learning tools and strategies to become a better active listener.

**Register by Thursday, October 20.**

### **Physical Literacy-Laying the Foundation For An Active Life**

Presented by: OEYC: Brant

Thursday, November 10 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$5 (covers the cost of materials)

If you missed this workshop the first time, here is your chance to find out what all the hype is about! As an educator, you already know the importance of including physical activity into your daily programming. But, what about physical literacy? What is it, why is it important and what is the relationship between physical literacy and physical activity? Join us for an interactive evening that will answer these questions and have you taking part in activities that will demonstrate how to get children practicing the fundamental movement skills in physical activities, sports and games.

**Register by Thursday, October 27.**

### **Teaching Social Skills**

Presented by: OEYC: Brant

Tuesday, September 13 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

No Cost

We use social skills to communicate, interact and maintain relationships. Children learn and build these skills as they reach their social milestones. Learn activities and tools to support the child's social skill development. This workshop is open to parents and educators. Child Care is available. Please indicate your need for child care when you register.

**Register by Thursday, September 8.**

## Professional Development Workshops

### **CPL 101 - Continuous Professional Learning Demystified**

Presented by: The College of Early Childhood Educators

Monday, December 5 at OEYC: Brant, 30 Bell Lane, Brantford, ON

No Cost

#### **Supervisors' Network presentation from 2:00 to 4:00 pm**

Please join Melanie Dixon as she shares Regulatory and Policy updates from the College of Early Childhood Educators. You will learn about the College's mandate and governance structure. This presentation also addresses topics relevant to employers including the Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice review, filing mandatory employer reports with the College, as well as information on Continuous Professional Learning and an overview of the College's resources and publications.

**Register by Thursday, November 24.**

#### **Evening Community Event from 6:00 to 7:30 pm**

Attend an interactive session with the College of Early Childhood Educators. This session will provide key information and updates about the College, and incorporate discussion about the Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice and the mandatory Continuous Professional Learning program. You will be guided through the self-reflective and self-directed framework for continuous professional learning and gain a better understanding of the CPL program. Become familiar with your requirements and learn about how others are embracing this exciting new challenge which is designed to facilitate reflection, planning and documentation of your learning in a meaningful way. Reflect on how you will engage in this new program and consider how you can take on a leadership role to encourage others to join you on this learning journey.

**Register by Thursday, November 24.**



Fostering Brant's Growth in Early Learning was a NEW quality initiative in Brant in 2015. Congratulations to the providers of child care, early learning and parenting programs, home child care agencies and special needs resource that participated in this reflective process of program practise review. They will proudly display a window cling to indicate their voluntary participation in this process. We look forward to working together in 2016. For more information on how to Fostering Brant's Growth call 519-759-3833.

## **Make and Take Workshops**

### **What is a Make and Take Workshop?**

Make and Take Workshops are workshops designed to provide information on a focused topic with the opportunity to “make and take” materials back to the classroom. Professionals who make materials to use are much more likely to implement the strategies in their programs. The Make and Takes provided by the OEYC are developed with the ELECT document as a basis for the content and related materials. Professionals are encouraged to keep these items close at hand to implement as children demonstrate an interest in a particular focus area.

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### **Real Picture Programming Make and Take**

Presented by OEYC: Brant

Tuesday, October 11 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$20 or \$15 for full membership holders (covers the cost of materials)

Real Picture Programming is a great tool for seeing, understanding and introducing vocabulary to young children. Capture the children’s attention and help them make sense of the world around them.

**Register by Thursday, September 29.**

### **Story Stretchers Make and Take**

Presented by OEYC: Brant Early Literacy Specialist

Tuesday, November 22 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$20 or \$15 for full membership holders  
(covers the cost of materials)

Learn the importance of story stretching and enjoy making items to help stretch a story. Each participant will leave with a book and materials.

**Register by Thursday, November 10.**

### **Touch a Truck Family Event**

**Saturday, September 24 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**Green Lane Sports Park, Rd 55, Paris, Ontario**

A fun-filled morning of getting up close and personal with some of the vehicles we see in our community. Donations accepted for the “Transportation Support Fund”. Thank you to all of the companies and organizations that bring their vehicles to the event. Registration is not required. For more information on submitting a truck or about the event, call 519-759-3833.

## **Networks**

### **Supervisor's Network**

Wednesday, September 21 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm

1:30 to 3:00 pm (Supervisor's Network)

3:00 to 4:00 pm (Fostering Brant's Growth in Early Learning )

Guest presenters Kim Romano and Nancy Blackburn from City of Brantford, Child Care Services; Kirstin Ellis, Program Advisor, London Region Child Care Quality Assurance and Licensing Branch Early Learning Division, Ministry of Education; and Michele Brayshaw from Lansdowne Children's Centre will provide updates. Feel free to bring your questions and concerns.

Following the Supervisor's Network meeting, centres that are participating in Fostering Brant's Growth in Early Learning are invited to stay. Answers to questions, suggestions and you are welcome to share what you have done for FBG. Reminder—Peer to Peer will be on Tuesday, December 7 and Wednesday, December 8, 2016.

### **Child Care Advisory Committee Meetings**

Wednesday, October 19 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm

Wednesday, November 16 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm

Ontario Early Years Centre: Brant, 30 Bell Lane, Brantford

The Child Care Advisory Committee, a sub-committee of the Brantford Best Start Network, is a working group responsible for : gathering information; information sharing; completing tasks; and making recommendations to Best Start Network (BSN), providers, stakeholders, consumers, and funders to plan for an integrated children and family service system for children ages 0 to 12 years in Brantford/Brant.

### **Wee Watch Learn**

Wednesday, September 28 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Wednesday, October 26 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm

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#### **Are you interested in a Home Child Care career with Wee Watch?**

Learn: How to run a successful home child care business within your own home; New ministry guidelines for all providers and what you need to know; New Wage Enhancement ; Benefits of working with a licensed agency. Free information package and more!

**Call to register at 519-758-2703 or feel free to just drop in!**

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## **14th Annual Supervisor's Symposium Day**

When: Friday, October 21 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where: Five Oaks, 1 Bethel Road, RR#3, Paris, ON N3L 3E3

Cost: \$65 or \$40 with Best Start Brantford/Brant discount  
(includes lunch and workshops)

Thanks to Best Start Brantford/Brant, there is a \$25 discount for  
Supervisor's that work in the Brantford and the County of Brant area.

Register: Payment or billing must be received at the time of registration.  
Contact [registration@eycbrant.ca](mailto:registration@eycbrant.ca) or call 519-759-3833 or mail payment  
to OEYC: Brant, 30 Bell Lane, P.O. Box 25040, Brantford, ON N3T 6K5.

### **Mental Health in the Workplace**

Presented by: Lill Petrella, Mental Health Promotion and Education  
Manager, Canadian Mental Health Association – Brantford, Haldimand,  
Norfolk Branch

What do you think of when you hear that someone is experiencing a  
mental illness? Some people feel concern, fear, or confusion. Some  
even avoid those who experience mental illnesses. But mental illnesses  
are just like any other illness: everyone deserves care, help, and  
support.

During this workshop we will discuss Mood, Depression, Stress and  
Anxiety in the workplace. As a supervisor, come and learn your roles  
and responsibilities to create a mentally healthy workplace for all.

### **C.H.A.N.G.E.: Choose Having Abundant New Growth Experiences**

Presented by: Susan Bassett, Inspiring the Change Within  
A Motivational Speaker who is candid, inspiring and empowering

The world around us is constantly changing and so are we. We respond  
to events and people around us all the time, but do we respond in ways  
that help us or hinder us? The challenge is to recognize that each of us  
control how we adapt to change. We must see that we control the ability  
to inspire the change within. We must then teach our children this ability  
so that they will become more resilient in the pursuit of their dreams.

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### **SAVE THE DATE...October 5, 2016**

Grandmother Renee Thomas-Hill will be presenting two sessions about  
Onkwehnew (Iroquois) Traditional Teaching at the Ontario Early Years  
Centre: Brant for early learning and child care professionals.

More details to come. Keep watching [www.eycbrant.ca](http://www.eycbrant.ca).