

Champions for Children 47th Annual Training “Little Ones Succeed”

This event will take place on ZOOM.
Registered people will receive a link to the event
and materials a few days prior to the event.

Friday, February 26; 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Welcome:

Chana Edmond-Verley, CEO Camp Fire West Michigan 4C



**Music Can Teach, Music Can Heal, Music Is Essential:
Beverly Meyer, The Music Lady Program**

Music is essential for making life more livable, no matter your age or circumstance. Join The Music Lady for some joyful music making we can do together!



Saturday, February 27; 9:00am–3:30pm

Opening Session: 9:00-10:00am

Why YOU Matter: Chana Edmond-Verley, CEO Camp Fire West Michigan 4C



Session 1: 10:15 – 11:30am

Building Resilience Strategies: Lessons learned from COVID-19:

Gloria Sherman LPC, M.Ed., Parenting and Teaching with G.L.O., LLC

COVID-19 has added another layer of worry, concern and stress for children, parents and educators. Learn how to meet the needs of children so they can move forward to enhance Post Traumatic Growth. This includes strategies to provide emotional, social and cognitive support to promote resilience and post traumatic growth. It only takes one or two caring adults to impact a child's life. Use the principles of connecting, aspiring, rewiring and empowering to build individuals who can thrive in our ever-changing world.



- 1. Learn about areas of the brain that might have been impacted by COVID-19*
- 2. Understand that trauma informed is important, yet resilience can trump trauma*
- 3. Understand how positive, safe relationships begin the healing process*

Virtual Networking Time (Optional) 11:45am-12:45pm

Remember the years when we would sit around tables and get to know one another by talking through lunch? We would chat about the morning sessions or what we saw in the exhibit hall. Now that we live in “zoom-land”, we’ve provided a way where you can still chat with fellow early childhood professionals during lunch. If you choose to join this session, you will be placed in a small “zoom room” with a few others so you can have a bit of social time.

Session 2: 1:00-2:00pm

Using Language Based Strategies: Early Literacy Development:

Denise A. Ludwig, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, FNAP, ACUE, Professor GVSU with SLP Graduate Clinicians: Heidi Bolen, Anita Chirackal, Holly Reed, Maddie Alexander, Jamie Hulteen



This presentation will identify milestones in development of literacy skills for children under age four. Developmentally appropriate evidence-based strategies will be discussed using cognitive-language interactions and methods, routines-based activities, and environmental supports. Presenters will model specific facilitation techniques to support indicators identified by the National Reading Panel as critical for pre-literacy development.

Session 3: 2:15 – 3:15pm

Moving Forward: Baby Steps to Thriving

Gloria Sherman LPC, M.Ed., Parenting and Teaching with G.L.O., LLC

COVID-19 drastically changed everyone’s life. While our daily life was filled with many unknowns, it also provided us with lots of opportunities. We had the opportunity to slow down and reflect on what is important. It provided us the time to realize how important self-care and time to reconnect with our family is to our overall well-being. What we need to continue is providing opportunities to strengthen families and helping each person in the family develop their inner strength and true passion. We will explore ways we can use our daily activities to provide insights and opportunities to thrive and flourish as a family and individuals.



1. Learn ways to take care of yourself and others
2. Understand the importance of everyday miracles to building strong individuals
3. Supporting each other to find their WHY- (passion)

Closing Remarks: 3:15-3:30pm

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Registration Information

Register <http://bit.ly/2021registrationchampion> and pay: registration payment

Cost is \$40 per person but we are offering an Early Bird Special.

- **Early Bird Special** – \$35 per person, if you register before February 5,2021*
- **Register between February 6 – 20:** \$40.00 per person
- **Late Registration February 20-26:** \$50.00 per person

For Camp Fire West Michigan 4C CACFP Participants:

This event is **FREE** but you must register by February 15th!

Please Note:

Your registration will not be complete until you have filled out the registration form AND paid.

- Registration includes 5 hours of training
- Cancellations, withdrawals or no shows will not be issued a refund.
- When you complete the online registration form, you will receive an email confirmation with a link to make your payment if you are not a CFWM4C CACFP participant.

We look forward to your participation in this virtual training event and want to thank you for the work you do each and every day with children!