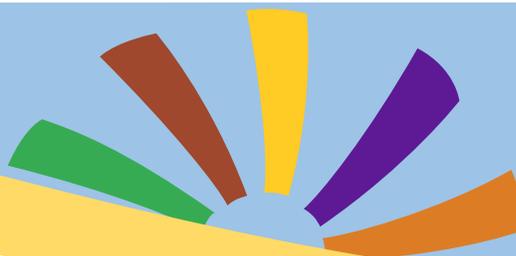


February 21, 2015



Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1st Grade Professional Development

**Pre-K 4 SA East Training Facility
5230 Eisenhower Rd., 78218**

Interactive and informative sessions are available for Pre-K, Kinder & 1st Grade Teachers, free of charge. All sessions are taught by Texas Certified Educators through San Antonio's Pre-K 4 SA initiative which aims to improve the educational trajectory for local children PK-3rd grade.



You may choose one session from each time block. Lunch on your own. Sessions available on this date:

<p>8:30-11:30 a.m.</p>	<p><u>Teaching Social Studies in Pre-K & K: Beyond Community Helpers and Holidays</u></p> <p>With more and more demands on what needs to be covered in a school day, Social Studies seems to be the subject that gets put on the back burner. However, we would not have our current education system if we were not part of a democracy, and we will not have a democracy if we do not educate our citizens in the domains of Social Studies. This session will dive into the Pre-K Guidelines and the Kindergarten TEKS for Social Studies to take a good look at what we should be teaching and what are best practices to do so. Participants will walk away with a better understanding of concepts to be taught and ideas to help them accomplish that goal in engaging and developmentally appropriate ways. (Audience: PK-K)</p>	<p><u>Growing Young Minds (Ages 4 – 6)</u></p> <p>Participants will leave this session with a sense of urgency for intentionally building strong brain foundations with strategies and practices for key areas of growth and development and knowledge for intentional planning of curriculum, instruction and assessment. (Audience: PK-1)</p>	<p><u>What does STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, & Math) look like in YOUR classroom?</u></p> <p>A STEAM classroom provides children a foundation that allows them to better engage in and aspire to solve problems utilizing their strengths and developing their critical thinking skills. Join us as we learn how to weave content into naturally engaging activities driven by student interest. We will develop numerous hands-on activities that you can take back and implement in your classroom. (Audience: K-1)</p>
<p>12:30-3:30 p.m.</p>	<p><u>"They listen, but they just don't get it!" Developing Listening Comprehension in Young Children</u></p> <p>Listening comprehension is predictive in overall long term student success. Come learn the factors that affect listening comprehension and strategies that help improve listening comprehension in young children. (Audience: PK-K)</p>	<p><u>Moving Beyond Letter of the Week and into Content-Rich Literacy Learning</u></p> <p>The National Association for the Education of Young Children found the need for change in literacy practices for early childhood urgent and in danger of being one of the causes of maintaining the achievement gap in our country. Come and find out what the research states about the traditional Letter of the Week approach and how to move towards more meaningful and developmentally appropriate practices in reading and writing. Be prepared to reflect and question personal ways of teaching and to engage in new ways of teaching literacy in your classroom. This session will be full of activities, games, and lessons that you can start using on Monday! Let's kick start the rest of the school year with innovative practices and let's begin the change towards a more content rich literacy journey together. (Audience: PK-K)</p>	



To register for this free opportunity, please email

1. your full name
2. district & school name
3. contact phone number
4. title(s) of the one or two sessions you plan to attend

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