

Family Child Care Professionals of South Dakota, Inc

to empower family child care providers and achieve high quality care for all South Dakota children



April 2022

fccpsd

FCCPSD Nominations for Steering Committee

Our Nominations Committee, chaired by Alinda Wiarda, has diligently worked to discover family child care providers willing to serve our Association as Steering Committee members. All the offices, except Past Chair, are open for elections. Unfortunately, even though the Committee attempted to contact many, many providers, we only have 5 who indicated a willingness to serve at this time.

Chair - Cynthia McConniel

Secretary - Lynette Lohan

Treasurer - Dawn Wahl

Professional Development - Susan Dotson

Past Chair - Allegra Fink (non-electable position)

These members, who have been serving as Steering Committee members many, many years, are hoping that new members will join Steering so that this association may continue to run in the future. If there is no interest from the membership to keep it going, then it looks like this organization will face dissolution in the next year or two. Please consider how YOU can help us continue. The jobs are not difficult, nor are they time-consuming, but they are important. Contact us at nominations@fccpsd.org if you are interested in seeing our organization continue.

The offices without nominees are

Networking/Newsletter (we will give you as much training as you need)

Advocacy

Conference Chair

Conference Chair-Elect

Chair-Elect



Renew child care conference

May 6-7, 2022

Richard Cohen Presents

Zen and the Art of Early Childhood Education

The Heroes of Our Time

Grownups' Night Out

SD Child Care Services—Sponsored Classes Specifically for Family Child Care

Marketing Your Child Care Business

Planning for the Future: Accounting and Financial Statements

Our other excellent presentations

Full STEAM Ahead Reloaded

Building Your Bounce

CSI: Curiosity, Science & Investigation

Child Development Made EASY: LTSAE

SD's Developmental Disabilities Network

Self-Compassion for Kids and Caregivers

Beyond the Book - A Make & Take

SD Public Broadcasting Resources & Ideas

Stay OK with the Community Resilience Model

Strategies for Early Literacy Learning

Learning Environments & Planning

The Impact of Technology on Early Childhood

Huron Event Center

Call Crossroads Hotel
(800) 876-5858 and
mention FCCPSD to
reserve your 89.90 room
with free breakfast,
microwave and
refrigerator. Online
reservations will not give
you this rate.

Register to attend at
fccpsd.org

General Admission \$99
VIP \$159

Questions? 605-391-4414

Exciting Scholarship News!

If you are a SD state registered Family Child Care Provider, State-Registered Helper, or a Group Home director or employee, the Department of Social Services is giving you a \$50 scholarship for your conference. If you qualify, click on the DSS Scholarship Button of your choice. You may choose the \$49 2 day conference ticket or the \$109 VIP scholarship ticket. These prices include the \$50 scholarship. We will be checking your eligibility before confirming your registration, so please only choose these options if you know you are working for a GROUP home (not a center) or you are a family child care provider who is registered with the state of South Dakota.



We will do all the administrative work for you.

There are no applications to fill out.

We thank SD DSS for supporting the quality training we are giving to our child care providers.

Online registration is open now and will close April 18.

These Two Classes are sponsored by SD Department of Social Services through First Children's Finance and presented by Kari Stattelman

Marketing Your Child Care Business

Learn basic marketing principles and concepts. Complete an environmental scan. Identify features and benefits of a child care program. Analyze child care competitors. Identify strategies to build an effective message. Define target market to secure future enrollment. Learn how to use marketing principles to secure community partnerships.

Planning for the Future: Accounting and Financial Statements

Learn basic accounting terms and review commonly used financial statements. Break down sections of an income and expense statement, a cash flow statement and a balance sheet. Analyze a case study to determine financial health of a child care business. Identify strategies of how to use financial statements to inform business decisions.



Online registration is open now and will close April 18.

Hurry! Don't miss your chance to register at the lower price of \$99. Once it is closed, only walk-in tickets will be sold at the registration table for \$125, and we cannot guarantee lunch will be available to walk-ins.

Unpaid registrations will be deleted from our system on April 19, so be sure to register and pay by April 18.

The first 100 paid registrations will receive a FREE gift!

Have you considered a VIP Ticket?

VIP Admission Includes

All General Admission Advantages PLUS

VIP Exclusive Friday Evening Banquet with Richard Cohen

\$10 VIP Vendor Gift Card (no cash value)

\$10 VIP Silent Auction Gift Card to be used when you win a Silent Auction bid (no cash value)

VIP Gift Basket

Entry into VIP ONLY Drawing for an extra special gift

VIP gift table from which you select your choice of item

Personalized Table Tent to Reserve Seating in any room

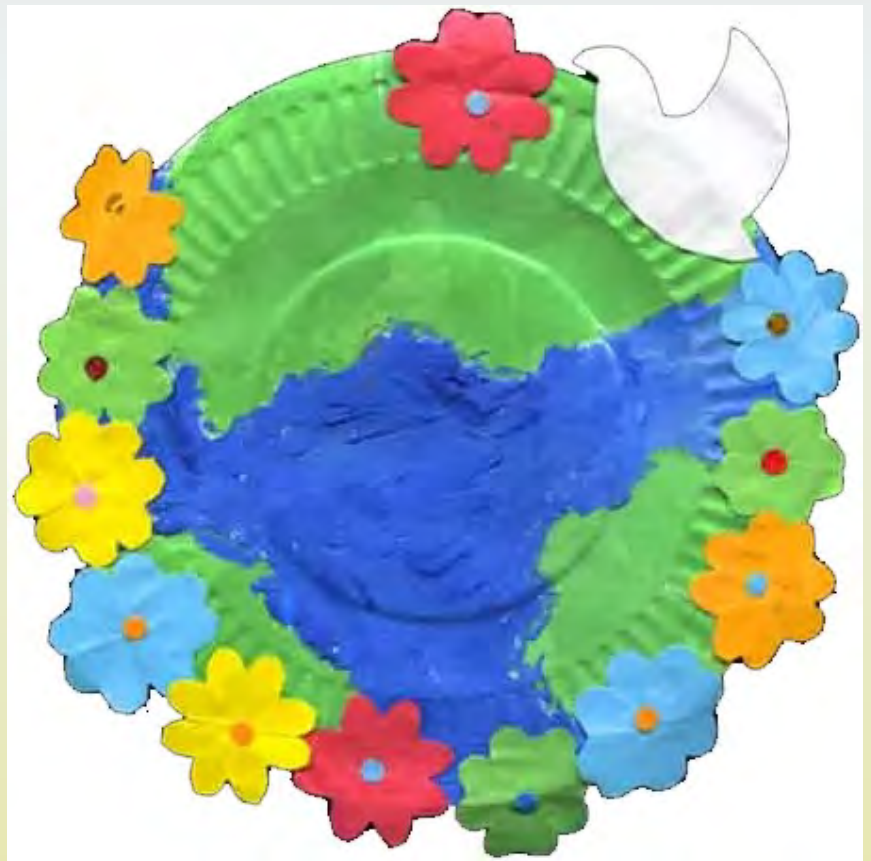
Half of our available VIP Tickets are already sold.

Hurry! You really don't want to miss this opportunity to have your Friday evening meal catered to you, and visit with our national Keynote Speaker, Richard Cohen, besides getting all of the other perks of the VIP Admission!





https://www.momjunction.com/articles/spring-activities-crafts-for-kids_00680411/#:~:text=1%20Gardening.%20Spring%20is%20the%20best%20time%20to,garden%20or%20on%20the%20windowsill%20of%20your%20backyard.



Inspire

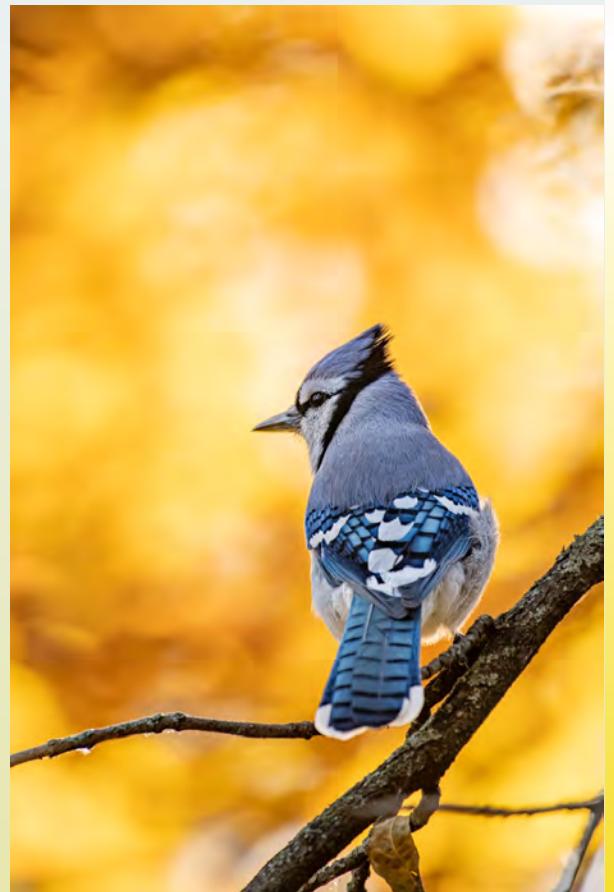
Lynette Lohan

I hope you are enjoying reading these INSPIRE articles, with questions and answers from providers who have all cared deeply for children and other providers. This is the final edition of the interview with our friend, Renae Boehmer.

How did doing childcare all those years change YOU?

Hmm...I think I answered this in the "what did the children teach you" question...

Additionally, I think child care was one of the things that reminded me that life is full of contradictions and challenges and that there is hardly ever a right choice and a wrong choice, but, instead, so many options and ways of being. It taught me to search for understanding rather than condemnation when people behave differently than I would have. Getting to be that intimately involved in a family's life is a huge gift...one that I get to continue as a pastor. When people let you in during important times (birth, death, milestones like graduation, divorce, etc), you don't have to fix anything for them, but showing up matters. People are at their worst when they feel alone. As a child care provider, I learned that people need connection and care more than judgment. I bought a wall hanging during my time in child care that is still front and center in my home today. It says, "People may forget what you said or what you did, but not how you made them feel."





What would you say to someone considering getting into the field...?

It's super hard work. It's demanding and the pay is not commensurate with the work. It'll take everything you've got - and, sometimes, more. But the rewards are even greater. It honestly is the BEST job I've ever had...and I think it always will be!

As far as FCCPSD goes....

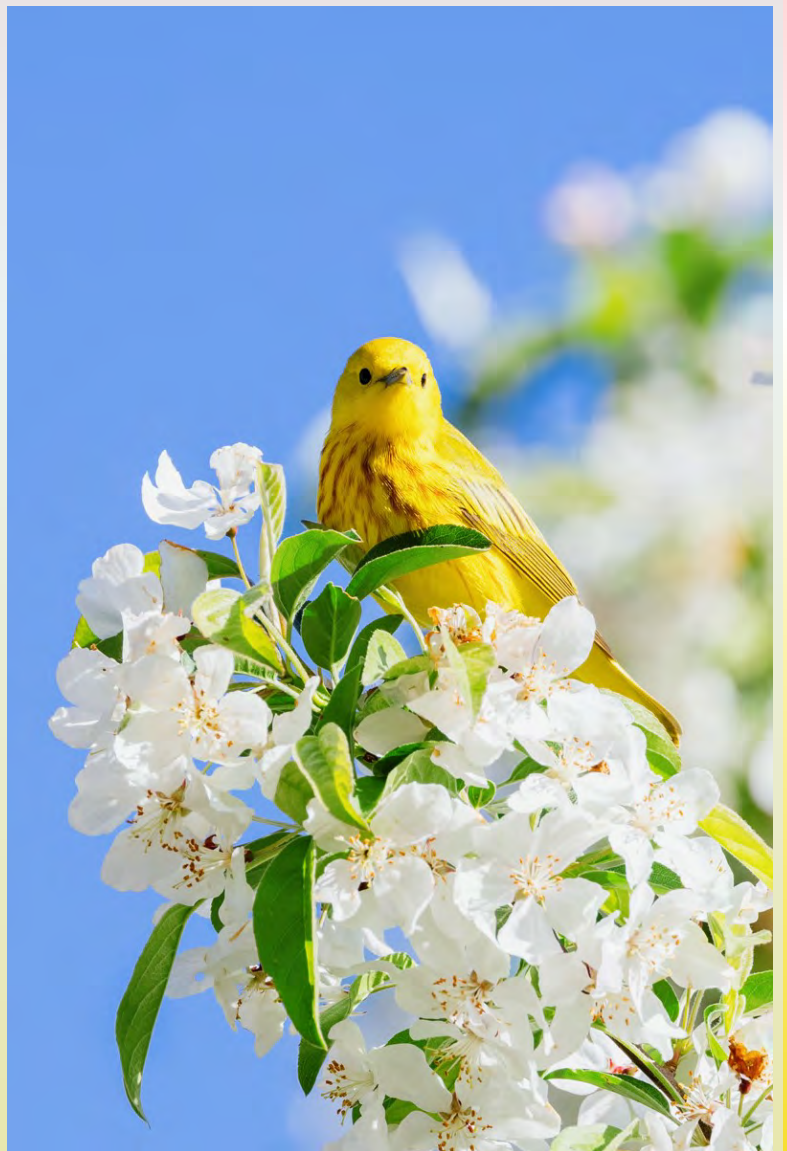
I remember when some of us who had done child care (kinda in a

bubble - lone rangers) were brought together by the state, it was like we found long-lost sisters - people we had an amazing connection with that we never even knew existed! Finally, someone who understands me and my life!

While we put a lot of blood, sweat and tears into building the association so it could provide training and technical support and information, the true value of that organization (just like the true value of the career itself) comes in the relationships and the connections. I remember all the times we spent an hour on the phone during naptime to get 501c3 status figured out or to make plans for a conference - the work mattered, but having someone who had the same kind of crazy morning to talk to during naptime meant even more! When we could come together at conferences, we got great information and ideas to use in our homes...but we also shared laughter and understanding and a sense that other people

"got us" that we didn't necessarily get other places. Being part of the "instigating team" of the association and on the steering committee fed me not just professionally, but at the very core of who I was, and made me not only a better provider (which, honestly, would have been enough for an association to do that) but also helped me remember that I could make a difference in the world - and that I already was. I can honestly say that I remember NONE of the tax rules and the food program guidelines and so much of the information this group helped me learn - but I will NEVER forget the joy and laughter and relationships and sense of connection, because those things change us forever!

We would like to spotlight our current providers. If you would like to fill out a questionnaire, please email conference@fccpsd.org and we'll get you set up!



Tired Of Banana Bread? Zero Waste Bread Pudding To The Rescue

By Rosanne Rust

Bread pudding is a comfort food and a food waste hero recipe. The beauty of a bread pudding is that you can really change up some of the ingredients and use what you have. If you have stale bread, eggs, and some other liquid (in this case milk and pureed bananas), it's gonna work. You can use any type of bread (as I'm doing here). You can add different spices (nutmeg, pumpkin pie spice, cinnamon, allspice). You can add other types of leftover or canned fruits to it. Or you can even make it savory (with rosemary, oregano, and leftover veggies). You can use brown or white sugar, maple syrup, or no sugar (as in this case, I omitted sugar because the bananas offered both sweetness and moisture).

3 cups stale bread, cubed (I used Soda Bread with Dried Cherries)

3 ripe bananas

3 eggs

1/2 cup milk

1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

2 teaspoons brown or granular sugar

Fresh berries

Whipped cream (optional)

To read the entire article and the rest of the directions, visit:

<https://fruitsandveggies.org/stories/tired-of-banana-bread-zero-waste-bread-pudding-to-the-rescue/>





2022 FCCPSD Steering Committee

Chair	Allegra Fink	chair@fccpsd.org
Chair-Elect	Lacey Branham	chair-elect@fccpsd.org
Past Chair	Lynette Lohan	past-chair@fccpsd.org
Secretary	Sahra Gomar	secretary@fccpsd.org
Treasurer	Wanda Stirling	treasurer@fccpsd.org
Newsletter/Networking	Dawn Wahl	newsletter@fccpsd.org
Advocacy	Cynthia McConniel	advocacy@fccpsd.org
Professional Development	Janessa Bixel	professional@fccpsd.org
Conference Chair	Alinda Wiarda	conference@fccpsd.org
Conference Chair-Elect	Susan Dotson	conference-elect@fccpsd.org