



# Early Childhood Connections

## OST Newsletter

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Check out our website for more information and more detailed descriptions of these and other training opportunities. [www.earlychildhoodconnections.com](http://www.earlychildhoodconnections.com)

### \* \* \* **Region 1 OST Training Calendar** \* \* \*

<b>OST Certificate Series I:</b> <b>School-Age Growth and Development - Linking Development Needs To Programming</b> \$5/Module class (Series may be taken for Teacher Renewal Credit - \$15/Series)				
Sept 4	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 1 - Exploring the Continuum of Developmental Tasks of School-Age Children from 5 to 12 - Implications for Programming	Rapid City
Sept 11	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 2 - Exploring Four Areas of Development - Implications for Programming	Rapid City
Sept 18	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 3 - Exploring Developmental Needs and Characteristics of Different Age Groups - Implications for Programming	Rapid City
Sept 25	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 4 - Exploring Individual Differences in School-Age Children - Implications for Programming	Rapid City
Oct 2	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 5 - Managing School-Age Children in Groups	Rapid City
Oct 9	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 6 - Guiding the Behavior of Individual Children	Rapid City
<b>OST Certificate Series II: Building the Foundations for Human Relationships</b> \$5/Module class (Series may be taken for Teacher Renewal Credit - \$15/Series)				
Oct 16	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 7 - Observation Skills - What's Really Going on Here?	Rapid City
Oct 23	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 8 - Human Relations Skill Development	Rapid City
Oct 30	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 9- OST As a Family Service: Emphasis on Relationship Building	Rapid City
Nov 6	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 10- OST As a Family Service: Emphasis on Planning Opportunities for Family Involvement	Rapid City

Nov 13	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 11 - Building Relationships with School Personnel	Rapid City
Nov 20	Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Certificate Module 12 - Growing as a Professional in OST Programs	Rapid City

**\*\*\* Region 2 - OST Training Calendar \*\*\***

**Love and Logic:** \$50/Series includes Workbook  
(Series may be taken for CDA Renewal Credit for an additional \$10)

Sept 24	Wednesday	6:30-8:30 pm	Module 1 - Raising Responsible Kids	Pierre
Oct 1	Wednesday	6:30-8:30 pm	Module 2 - <b>The Love and Logic Formula</b>	Pierre
Oct 8	Wednesday	6:30-8:30 pm	Module 3 - <b>"C" Stands for Control That's Shared</b>	Pierre
Oct 15	Wednesday	6:30-8:30 pm	Module 4 - <b>"O" is for Ownership of the Problem</b>	Pierre
Oct 22	Wednesday	6:30-8:30 pm	Module 5 - <b>"O" is Also for Opportunity for Thinking</b>	Pierre
Oct 29	Wednesday	6:30-8:30 pm	Module 6 - <b>"L" Stands for Let Consequences Do the Teaching</b>	Pierre
Nov 5	Wednesday	6:30-7:30 pm	Module 7 - <b>Let's Wrap It Up and Take It Home!</b>	Pierre

Other ECC classes - see website training calendar for schedules, descriptions & costs.  
School-age training is available, upon request, at other sites in western South Dakota.

### OST Theme Tubs

Great States	Music of Many Cultures	Marvelous Math I & II
Weather Wonder	Simple Machine Discoveries	Microscopic Wonders
Bug Detectives (missing)	Movement Extravaganza	Measurement Mysteries
Be Money Wise	Electricity and Magnets	Sign Language
ReCharge!	KidzMath (K-2 or 3-6)	KidzLit (K-3 or 3-5)
HeartPower K-2	HeartPower - Level 3-5	HeartPower - Level 6-8
Fractions: Fantastic, Fun & Friendly	Where in the World are we? (Solar System)	

**OST Theme Tubs are available for School-Age Programs to check out for 2-4 weeks.  
Delivery and/or pickup is available for most sites. Call Candy for more details.**

## IN-STATE CONFERENCES



Building the Bridge Together  
2008 SoDakSACA Conference  
October 3-4, 2008  
Watertown Convention Center

<http://www.sodaksaca.org/conference/2008conference.htm>

Featured keynotes for will be Bill Michealis and Ezra Holland,  
a GREAT training combo from California.

<http://www.billandezra.com/>



## CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES!

<http://www.brightring.com/Fun%20Activities.html>

<http://www.brightring.com/previous.html>



### Museum Computer Network

<http://www.mcn.edu/resources/sitesonline.htm>

This Museum Guide, prepared by the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, offers thousands of excellent links for both real and virtual destinations.



### Exploratorium

[www.exploratorium.edu](http://www.exploratorium.edu)

One visit to the Exploratorium Web site and you'll understand why just about every educational list ranks this URL as one of the best around. Exhibits and activities change as the exhibits at the museum change. All are engaging, fun, and challenging for children.



### Math.com

[www.math.com](http://www.math.com)

This great site is easy to navigate, with a wealth of math-related materials and resources. Kids can access a range of mathematical tools; take advantage of the excellent test prep, study tips, or homework help; or hone their math skills with challenging puzzles, games, and one-minute interactive drills.



### Smile Program Lesson Plans

[www.iit.edu/~smile/index.html](http://www.iit.edu/~smile/index.html)

The SMILE program, hosted by the Illinois Institute of Technology, seeks to improve the quality of mathematics and science instruction in grades K-12. Since 1986, each participant in the SMILE summer program has created a lesson plan. With over 800 lessons available in the fields of biology, chemistry, mathematics, and physics, there's a wealth of valuable materials here.



Program assistance, training, consultation, observations and on-going support is available for OST programs in Regions 1 & 2 (western and central counties in South Dakota) from Early Childhood Connections in Rapid City. For more information contact:



**Our Mission:**  
*To enrich the lives of  
children by working with  
the adults who affect  
their lives - parents,  
caregivers, and educators.*

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