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Early Childhood Fall Conference at OUL November 7 and 8



Lancaster – Ohio University
Lancaster students will have the opportunity to attend the Early Childhood Fall Conference that is being held on campus Friday, November 7 and Saturday, November 8. The conference is being sponsored by the Fairfield Association for the Education of Young Children and the Children's Committee of the Family, Adult, and Children First Council.

“The focus of the conference is to assist parents and educators in learning ways to provide stimulating, supportive and healthy learning environments for young children from birth to age eight,” said Organizer Amy Heston. “Everyone will gain valuable information to apply at home and in the classroom including parents, teachers, childcare providers and administrators to educational assistants, nurses, resource specialists, social workers, librarians, and teachers in training.”

Ohio University Lancaster has degree programs available in early childhood education as well as many social service fields. Professors are encouraging students to attend the conference and take advantage of the wonderful learning opportunity.

“We hold the conference at OUL because of the great facility and technology,” said Heston. “We always get great support from the staff and faculty. “

“The ‘So You Think You Can Teach’ Lunch and Learn seminar series gave out a door prize to an early childhood education major to attend one day of the conference free,” said OUL Early Childhood Education Lecturer Terri Green. “The winner was Maci Sollie. She is very excited to have the opportunity to attend this great conference.”

“There will be vendor booths at the conference. One of them is T.E.A.C.H. OHIO which works with child care employers to offer scholarships for child care professionals to pursue early childhood and child development degrees in colleges,” said OUL Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education Quiping Cao. “I arranged for this organization to come to the conference so that more child care employers and students are aware of the scholarship opportunities to attend college.”

Presenters will share information in the areas of child development, physical and mental health, and preparing stimulating learning environments that support young children. Sessions being offered during the conference include topics such as managing communicable diseases, behavior management, abuse and neglect and technology in the classroom. To learn more about the conference, contact Heston or Pam Redding at faeyconference@gmail.com.