

Monthly Director's Report

May 2017



Early Learning Hub

of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties



During this Legislative session, many agencies have expressed their concern to us about continued funding and funding levels. We understand the difficult situation the legislators find themselves in and were heartened when we received an email from our friends at The Children's Institute with an important suggestion: call your legislators.

To find information about your legislators, please [click here](#). These men and women represent you, and they need to know how you feel and what programs you support!

We also wanted to be sure and welcome the three new parents joining the Governing Board in May: Laura Farmer (Benton County Representative), Jennifer Gere (Linn County Representative), and Christina Hannahs (Lincoln County Representative). We appreciate your willingness to serve and to represent parents across our region. It's going to be a learning experience for all of us!

***Thank you for your support,
Kristi May, EL Hub Director***

Approaches to Learning in Early Childhood

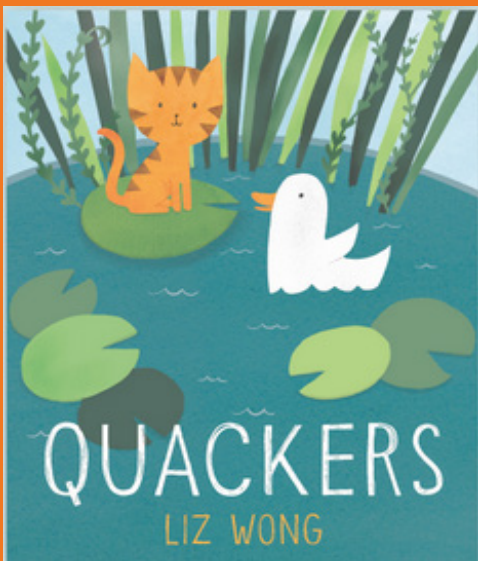
The Annual Early Childhood Summer Institute is currently accepting class registration for the Institute being held on June 19-22, 2017 at South Albany High School, 3705 SE Columbus Street, Albany.

The Early Learning Hub is sponsoring a session on “Culturally Responsive Individuals and Organizations: Recognizing Bias, Inequity and Moving to Cultural Fluency”. This course will satisfy the state requirement for racial equity training.

To view the LBL-ESD Training Events flyer, please [click here](#).

JumpStart Read for the Record 2017

JumpStart just announced the date for the 2017 Read for the Record campaign: October 19, 2017. We will send out announcements as soon as we receive this year's materials. Save the date!



Vroom Advertising at Regal Theaters

The Early Learning Hub is currently running a Vroom video at the Regal Theaters in Corvallis and Albany. The video plays prior to the previews in each theater, and is also being shown on the monitors in the lobby. The video being shown is a :34 second clip entitled “Father’s Day”,



Social-Emotional Summit in Planning Stages

You are going to want to save the date for the Social-Emotional Summit being planned by the Data & Evaluation Work Group for Friday, October 20, 2017. The group is planning for an all-day conference with research presentations in the morning and hands-on trainings in the afternoon.

The event will be held at Linn-Benton Community College, in the Forum Auditorium. This will be a free event, and the LBCC Cafeteria will be available right across the hall for lunch and snacks. Local partners will have priority registration.

Currently, Dr. Megan McClelland from Oregon State University, and a research team from Portland State University have agreed to participate. Please remember to save the date!

Hub Work Group Updates:



WORK GROUP DAY: The Hub Work Group Day was held on May 11, 2017 at the Old Mill Center. The group discussed Vroom, KPI Funding and the Lebanon Preschool video, the ECCC's discussion of SB 3106, the D&E's proposed Social-Emotional Summit, the Pollywog Project, and partners shared what was happening with their agencies.



DATA & EVALUATION WORK GROUP: The Data and Evaluation Work Group met on May 9 at the Philomath City Hall and reviewed the latest data infographics and a Risk Assessment PowerPoint prepared by our OSU intern, Anna Menon. The group also discussed the need for data for the Hub Annual Report, the ASQ trainings being held in our region, and the latest Kindergarten Assessment data from the state.



HEALTH CARE INTEGRATION WORK GROUP: The Health Care Integration Work Group met on April 26 at the Lincoln County Public Health offices to discuss the ASQ Training and Tracking Initiative, the START training panel, and reviewed suggested changes to the Developmental Screening Attitudes Survey presented by the Oregon Rural Practice-Based Research Network.



EARLY CHILDHOOD COORDINATING COUNCIL: The Early Childhood Coordinating Council met on May 9 at the Philomath City Hall to discuss SB 3106, and the implications that has for preschools in our area. The group formed a subcommittee to review the preschool intake processes in our region and how we could become compliant if the Bill passes.

Have questions?

Visit the Early Learning Hub website at: <http://lblearlylearninghub.org/>

Early Learning Hub Mission and Vision Statements:

Mission: The Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties brings partners together to increase family stability, improve kindergarten readiness, and ensure service coordination that is equitable and culturally and linguistically competent.

Vision: Our communities provide an easily accessible and collaborative system of support and care for families that help children to grow up safe, nurtured, healthy, and ready for school and life.