

Spring Symposium 2020

Professional Development & Training for Educators
Hosted by Newport Montessori School



Schedule of Events

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:30 Session I

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-12:15 Session II

12:15-1:15 Lunch

1:15-2:45 Session III

Chip DeLorenzo, Keynote Presenter

Chip DeLorenzo has been a Montessori educator since 1995, and is the Head of School at the Damariscotta Montessori School in Nobleboro, Maine. He is a Certified Positive Discipline Trainer and has been using Positive Discipline in his classrooms since he was a new teacher. As a trainer and presenter, Chip has worked with hundreds of Montessori teachers and parents in teaching the principles and practices of Positive Discipline through various workshops and lectures. He holds Early Childhood, Lower and Upper Elementary AMS certifications, and has worked extensively with Montessori Adolescent students. Chip is the father of four Montessori children.

*Lunch Provided by
Aurora Bakery*

Fruit Salad

Italian Cold Cut Wrap

Or

Vegetarian Wrap

Chips

Assorted Cookies for Dessert

For folks bringing a bagged lunch/snacks, please be mindful that we are an allergy aware school...no nuts :)

Presenters

Chip DeLorezno

Positive Discipline in the Classroom

Participants in this experiential workshop will connect with other Montessori teachers to learn how to implement time-tested classroom management principles that help develop responsibility, self-regulation, respect, cooperation and independence within their students. Positive Discipline is based on the work of Alfred Adler and Rudolph Dreikurs, contemporaries of Maria Montessori, and fellow constructivists. The workshop will help participants:

- Review core principles of respectful discipline within the Montessori classroom
 - Understand the roots of misbehavior – why children misbehave
 - Discover how adult interaction styles invite misbehavior
 - Effectively set limits with children
 - Invite cooperation vs. power struggles
 - Develop communication skills that will help children open up
- Address challenging behaviors effectively

The keynote presentation will be given throughout the day; participants will sign up for Sessions I, II, & III.

Todd Bersaglieri

Incorporating Arts in the Primary & Lower Elementary Classrooms

This session will introduce you to the Scratch programming platform as well as prepare you to introduce it to your students. Developed by MIT, Scratch is a web-based tool that makes coding accessible to novices and yet can accommodate advanced coders. You will create your own Scratch profile as well as get ideas for those first key lessons that can get your students hooked on a STEAM activity. That is not a misspelling--amazing art can come out of students using this tool.

Possibly the most powerful aspect of Scratch is the ability of users to publish projects. Students are both able to share their work with others as well as make others' projects their own by going inside the code and modifying it to achieve their own goals. By examining code generated by others, students gain a better understanding of good coding practices as well as critical thinking skills by having to interpret foreign code.

*BS in Biochemistry from Bowdoin College, Magna Cum Laude
Completion of Massachusetts Institute for Teachers*

Susan Gregory

American Heart Association

Updates: CPR & First Aid

CPR & First Aid

These sessions are intended to update you on the newest American Heart Association CPR/AED and First Aid Guidelines and meet the certification requirements.

CPR/AED includes Adult, Child and Infant CPR/AED and obstructed airway for both conscious and unconscious subjects.

Basic First Aid covers bleeding, broken bones, burns, bites, seizures allergies, Epi pens and more.

Session I: CPR Updates

Session II: First Aid Updates

National Registry EMT

American Heart Association CPR &

First Aid Instructor

Presenters

Claire Doody

Revisiting Reading Preparation

"Revisiting Reading Preparation in the 3-6 Classroom", looks at The National Reading Panel Report (Practical Advice for Teachers) published in the early 2000s, which has us pay close attention to the following topic areas: *Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Fluency, Vocabulary, and Comprehension Strategies*. With a sound understanding of each key area and practical, mindful applications of exercises, many of which we have been taught already, your language curriculum should stand to support the emergent and beginning reader in a new and complete way. We'll touch on handwriting, the ugly handmaiden to reading, just for fun, too!

Claire has been in the Montessori World since 1984. Along the way she was a Montessori parent, volunteer, snack helper, newsletter writer, indoor large motor room organizer, sensorial room helper, student, intern, co-teacher, lead teacher, school owner/director, teacher trainer, workshop presenter. There were a few stops between to have children raise them to age 3, and continue on the journey. She also became AMS certified in 3-6, 6-9, 6-12 and holds Orton-Gillingham Training Certificates for Levels I and II

Benjamin Cote

Learning in the Library

Perhaps a student asks a question you weren't expecting or a member of your school community is experiencing difficult circumstances, having a list of books ready for these topics can be very helpful. A picture book is an excellent tool to inspire empathy and begin a conversation regardless of your students' independent reading level. During this session we will address topics including but not limited to serious illness, death, divorce, and homelessness. Participants will receive a resource list. We will also include time to share your favorite resources. If you have a picture book on a tough topic, feel free to bring it along.

Offered Session I, II, & Session III

Ben graduated from Salve Regina with a BS in Elementary Education and BA in Cultural and Historic Preservation. He is certified by the NH Dept. of Education as an elementary educator and as a library media specialist. He is the Head of Youth Services at Tracy Memorial Library.

Amanda Bevilacqua

Incorporating Art Projects in Your Classroom

Are you looking for ways to incorporate arts education in your primary or lower elementary classroom? Join Miss Amanda as she shares her 9 month school calendar of holiday and event projects and crafts. Miss Amanda will share her knowledge of finding affordable supplies (you may even find you already have them in your regular education classrooms) and picture post worthy project ideas. Additionally, participants will discover the best locations for finding project ideas of their own. Participants will roll up their sleeves and create a project as part of this workshop.

Come ready to work and have some fun!

Amanda is currently in year 3 at the Newport Montessori School; she works as part of the Lower Elementary teaching team. NAMC Montessori Certified.

Christy Whipple

How Parents are Deciding on Enrollment

As ambassadors of our schools as parents, teachers, and school leaders, we are tasked with understanding the changing landscape of parents and enrollment in private schools today. This workshop will discuss the current landscape of advertising, promoting your school, building trust with parents, improving your school's visibility, and adapting to new enrollment trends.

Participants will learn about their Content Calendar and should leave the workshop with a checklist and calendar for school promotion.

Offered Session II & III

Christy is in her 14th year as the Head of School at the Newport Montessori School. She has her Masters in Education and ABD in Ed. D in Teacher Administration. She is certified by the State of NH as an Experienced Educator and holds Montessori Certification from NAMC.

Participant Registration Form

Date: _____

Name (Please Print)

Last: _____

First: _____

MI: _____

Home Address:

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Phone: (Day) _____

Phone: (Evening) _____

Email Address:



Emergency Contact Information

Person to Notify in Case of Emergency (Please Print)

Phone: _____

Cell: _____

TO REGISTER:

Many presenters are presenting their workshop multiple times throughout the day. To register for a specific workshop, write the name of the presenter in the space provided during the session of your choosing.

PLEASE REGISTER ME FOR:

Session I: 9-10:30

Presenter Name:

Session II: 10:45-12:15

Presenter Name:

Session III: 1:15--2:45

Presenter Name:

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Cost per participant: \$125

Mail the registration form and payment to:

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