OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2019

FALL TRAINING CALENDAR

PARTNERS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

















DID YOU KNOW?

Showing up on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from preschool forward.

Missing 10 percent of preschool (one or two days every few weeks) can

- · Make it harder to develop early reading skills.
- · Make it harder to get ready for kindergarten and first grade.
- · Develop a poor attendance pattern that's hard to break.

High quality preschool programs have many benefits for your child. The routines your child develops in preschool will continue throughout school. You can make the most of preschool by encouraging your child to attend every day!

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Work with your child and his/her teacher to help your child develop strong attendance. Your enthusiasm is a big boost to success.

Talk about it - sing about it - make it an adventure!

- · Set a regular bed time and morning routine
- · Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before
- . Share ideas with other parents for getting out the door on time

Before the school year starts:

- · Find out what day preschool starts and start the exciting count down!
- · Make sure your child has the required shots.
- · Attend orientation with your child to meet the teachers and classmates.

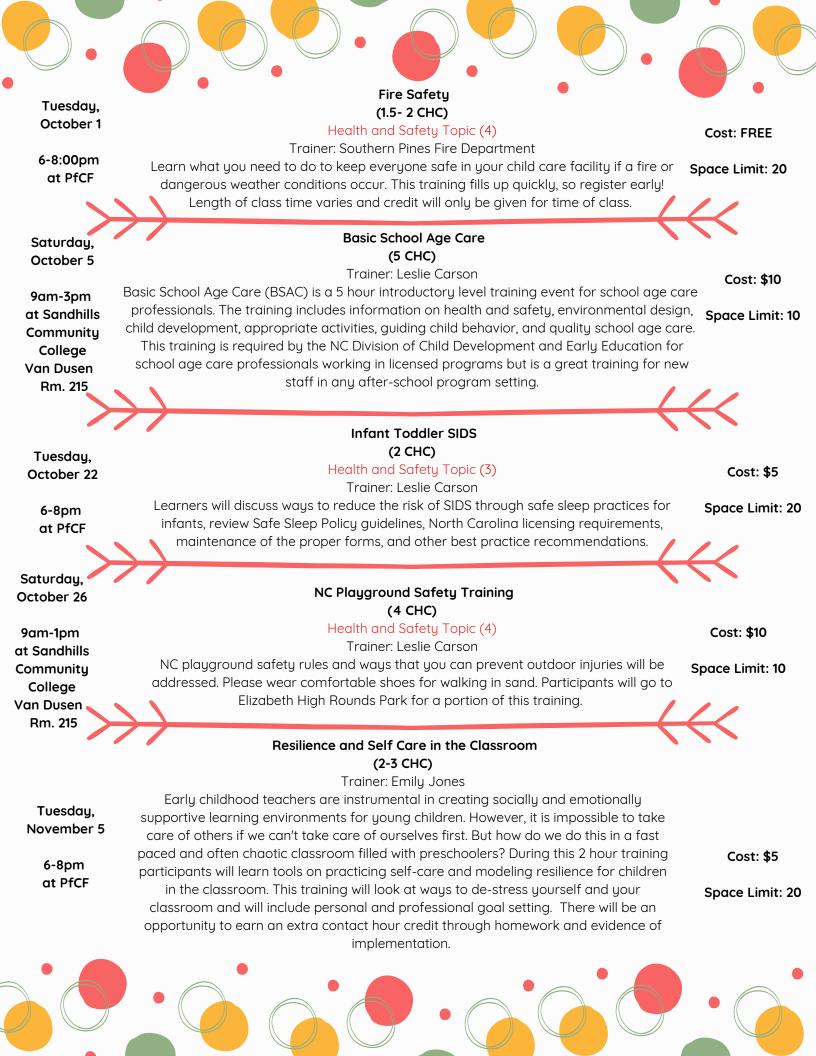
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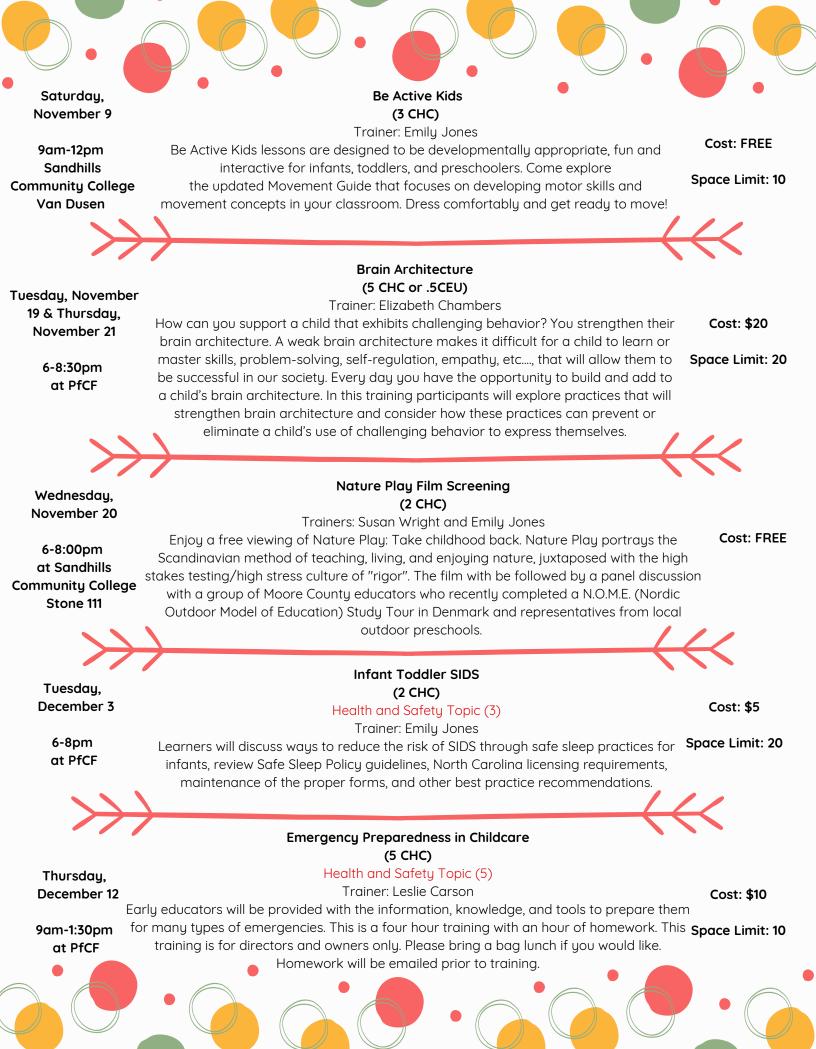
- . Develop back-up plans for getting to preschool if something comes up
- Ask family members, neighbors or other parents to lend a hand if you need help dropping off or picking up your child
- Schedule medical appointments and extended trips when preschool is not in session
- If your child seems anxious about going to preschool, talk to the program director, teacher, your doctor or other parents for advice. If the problem persists, make sure the program is a good fit for your child.

Help Your Child Succeed in Preschool: Build the Habit of Good Attendance

It's never too early to start! For more information and free resources check out Attendance Works at www.attendanceworks.org











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Welcome to the team, Diane!

We are excited to welcome Diane Atherton to Partners for Children & Families! After completing her degree in Early Childhood Education, Diane spent the next 30+ years helping children learn while navigating through their preschool years. With over eight years of experience as a teacher assistant for Moore County Schools, and 25 years combined as a teacher in Ohio and North Carolina, Diane says, "I saw children have the most success when the families and teachers were able to partner together for the whole well-being of the child and now I wantto pursue helping build those bridges here in Moore County." As Family Outreach Coordinator with Partners for Children & Families, Diane will support our efforts to enhance the knowledge, skills, and confidence of parents and guardians caring for young children in Moore County and help build awareness throughout the community of early childhood development andresources. Diane can be reached at (910) 949-4045 or datherton@pfcfmc.org.

