

2024 Lawrence Child Development Conference

with



AMY NELSON, LCSW, LSCSW, RPT-S

EVENT PROGRAM AND SPEAKER INFORMATION

8:30	Networking & Breakfast with Vendors
9:00	Welcome speech and introductions
9:15	Keynote Speaker Amy Nelson presents: Neurodivergent Play: Supporting play and learning differences with Neurodivergent children
11:15	Lunch
12:15	Transition to Hilltop (tours available)
12:45	Workshop Session A Begins
1:45	Workshop Session B Begins
2:45	Conference Conclusion

thank you for attending!

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Session Descriptions

KEYNOTE

Amy Nelson, LCSW, LCSW, RPT-S

As a founder of Emotional Milestones, LLC, she helps early childhood professionals prioritize and optimize mental and behavioral supports for young children.

For the last decade, Amy has worked in early childhood classrooms, in both general and special education settings. An engaging storyteller, Amy is skilled at teaching in a dynamic way that bridges theory and practice for others. She is regarded for her high-quality, high-energy, insightful professional development experiences, speaking at local, state, and national conferences each year.

Session A/B - Two Hour Workshops

Helping Children with Unidentified Needs in Early Care Settings (Dr. Katrina Ostmeier)
Circle Time for Multi-age Groups (Rebecca Kramer)

Session A - One Hour Workshops

Cooking for Kids (Rob Wood)

Art/Music in the Classrooms (Jenny Rastok/Jill Anderson)

Early Childhood Coaching: Relationship-Based Practice (Erin Lawrence, (MS EC Special Education Licensed ECSE)

Supporting Occupational Therapy & Feeding Development through a collaborative approach (Sound Speech Therapy)

Session B - One Hour Workshops

Communication Milestones and Intervention Strategies (Speech Solutions)

Visual Structure to Promote Independence (Dr. Maria Hugh, KU Special Education)

Finding Balance: Educating Mixed Age Learner (Andrea Knakmuhs, AS in ECE, a BS in Psychology, and an MA in Organized Leadership)

Engage with me!! Interaction Practices to Promote Young Children's Engagement (Betsie Malone, M.Ed., BCBA)