

# Agenda

8:15am - 8:45am	Registration and Refreshments
8:45am - 9:00am	Welcome
9:00am - 10:15am	Keynote Speaker Lisa von Pier NJ Dept. of Children & Families
10:15am - 10:30am	Break
10:30am—12:00pm	Concurrent Session 1
12:00pm— 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm— 2:00pm	General Session: “Strengthening Families” Nanci Fasarella NJ Dept.of Children & Families
2:00pm-3:30pm	Concurrent Session 2
3:30pm	Evaluations and Distribution of Professional Development Certificates

## CONFERENCE LOCATION

**Rowan University**  
**Education Hall, 3rd Floor**  
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**Glassboro, New Jersey 08028-1701**

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**Friday, April 1, 2011**

**8:15am to 3:30pm**



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**\$139.00 per person**

## Registration Form

Early Childhood Education Conference  
Building Partnerships with Families

Name _____		
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District _____		Title _____
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Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
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Phone Number _____	Extension # _____	

### **\$139.00 Per Person**

Please circle #1 & #2 choices for each concurrent session.  
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## Concurrent Sessions

### **A. Helping Parents Understand the Importance of Play Based Learning**

**Dr. Karen Hutchison**

Asst. Prof. Early Childhood Teacher Education  
Rowan University

Learn how children's play optimizes brain development. The latest frontier of brain mapping and neuroscience provides concrete proof on the value of play. Participants will break into age specific groups in order to understand how play and the NJ Standards connect academics and social-emotional well being.

### **B. Identifying Shut-Down Learners**

**Dr. Richard Selznick**

Cooper Learning Center at  
Cooper University Hospital

The Shut-Down Learner is a child who becomes increasingly disconnected, discouraged, and less-motivated over time. This workshop will discuss the variables starting in preschool that lead to children shutting down. Dr. Selznick is the author of the book, "**The Shut-Down Learner: Helping Your Academically Discouraged Child.**"

### **C. Addressing Obesity in Early Childhood**

**Elaine Hatala, PhD & Melissa Lieberman, MA**

Rowan University Dept. of Health & Exercise Science

Patterns of obesity begin at a very early age. The latest information from the National Association of Sport and Physical Education, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other agencies will provide an overview of the problem, strategies, and best practices for addressing obesity. Physical activity, environmental and motivational concepts, also including making good food choices will be promoted

### **D. Art Across the Calendar Pre K – 3**

**Arlene Arons**

Teacher of Art – 30+ years and Supervisor of  
Student Teachers of Art at Rowan University

Easy—FUN TO DO, "Create Your Own" projects that teach and reinforce classroom skills, and also look great for display. Everyday Math skills, holidays, seasons, "Back to School", in addition to year round center activities for all students will be addressed. Participants will take home samples, handouts, and easy to follow directions for each lesson.  
Limited to 25 per session.

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## Early Childhood Education Conference

**Keynote Topic and Speaker**  
**9:00am-10:15am**

## **Building Partnerships with Diverse Families**

**Lisa von Pier**

Director of Division of  
Preventions and Community Partnerships  
NJ Department of Children and Families

In the capacity as Director of DPCP, Lisa oversees prevention work related to early childhood family support, domestic violence, and school based services.



**General Session**  
**1:00pm-2:00pm**

## **Strengthening Families**

**Nanci Fasanella**

Program Manager of Strengthening Families  
Through Early Care and Education Initiative  
NJ Department of Children and Families

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