



GRASA February Summit – Create, Make and Play!

Tuesday, February 19th, 2019

8:30 am – 4:30 pm

East High School, 1801 E Main St, Rochester, NY 14609

This year's Summit will focus on creativity, making and free play, sharing ideas and insights that will help everyone bring more of the things that delight and ignite us to the children with whom we work. You don't have to be the world's greatest dancer, a professional singer or actor – you just need a little confidence and a willingness to try. Workshops include:

Session 1:

- **Beyond the Book!:** Learn how to incorporate literature into program and extend concepts into a wide range of activities and experiences. Participants will explore a selection of literature and build on themes that can be developed into music, movement, crafts and more.
- **Taking Everyday Objects to the Extreme:** Manipulate and multiply everyday objects that you find at home to create hands-on experiences, including light painting, paper airplane walls, lamps from recyclables, LED throwies, tape sculptures and interactive Makey Makey projects.
- **How to Host Your Own Play Day:** Healthi Kids will teach you how to use everyday items to organize a play day on a budget. Learn about inclusive play, safety and how play days can be used to foster community.
- **The New World of Literacy:** Quad A will share the Director's Book Club model. Participants will learn how to make literacy fun for youth while promoting their voice.
- **The Healing-Feeling Circle:** Learn how to use the Chace Circle to facilitate group cohesion, establish a basis of trust and build group Social-Emotional awareness.
- **Playworks:** Day two, only for staff who attend day one on Monday, February 18th.

Session 2:

- **Sing!:** Most of us are exposed to songs and music from birth and sing freely while young. Somewhere along the way, we get too self-conscious. Explore different ways to incorporate song into program through themes, games and karaoke. And don't worry – new research says singing is something we can get better at with practice!
- **Arts Integration into Learning Experiences:** This workshop will provide you with materials and ideas you can use to incorporate any/all Arts into lessons that are more exciting and meaningful to children.
- **Nature Club – Exploring the World through Play:** Natural resources programming is an engaging way to promote awareness of the world around us. These activities foster an understanding of STEM, build SEL competencies and, most importantly, are lots of fun!
- **Design on a Dime for Out of School Time!:** Get some cool, creative and cost-effective tips and tools for making your OST space awesome, even when you have a small. Low or no budget.
- **Moving Content:** Learn the concept of the Movement Sentence to creatively introduce academic content while building student kinesthetic intelligence. This technique, once learned, can be used in any setting with any age.
- **Initiative and Problem Solving (Youth Work Methods Training):** The ability to sustain motivation and persevere through challenge toward an identified goal, as well as the ability to plan, strategize, and implement complex tasks are key social-emotional skills. Learn strategies and methods to support their development in the youth in your program. **THIS IS A TWO-SESSION TOPIC THAT MUST BE TAKEN TOGETHER.**
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Session 3:

- **STEAM Lessons for K-2:** STEAM lessons are all the rage, but often the lessons are geared toward older students. This workshop will give hands-on experience and resources for STEAM lessons, as well as guidelines to follow when adapting lessons for younger students.
- **Pi Day!** Join Bho and Shelby as they show you how to make Pi Day (March 14th, or 3.14) a mathematically wonderful celebration for your participants. Learn a variety of games and activities that you can use next month!
- **Anything Can Be a Book:** Imagine how proud your youth will feel when they can share their original writing in a unique book format! A bookbrella? Tiny tin tomes? Learn creative ways to “publish” your youth.
- **Embracing Your Creativity:** Learn how to help your students – and yourself – identify what makes you special, and celebrate, cultivate and embrace your uniqueness!
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The schedule and registration is on the following page, where you will be asked to rank your top six workshop choices, two for each session. **Workshops will be assigned in a first-come, first-serve manner, based on the order in which your registrations are received.** Every effort will be made to include your first choices.

This event is free to attend, and includes morning treats and a boxed lunch.

GRASA wishes to extend our Thank You to partners at the Monroe County Youth Bureau, United Way and Children’s Institute Training, Resource and Coaching Center (TRACC).



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