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ECU Child Care Resource Center Welcomes New Staff Member

Welcome! To Georgiana Sullivan, our new Child Care Consultant. Georgiana joined us in February of this year. She has 12 years' experience teaching pre-k and kindergarten in the public schools, and brings wonderful knowledge, energy and excitement to our program. Many of you have already met her. Georgiana is available to work on-site with child care programs helping staff with room arrangement, age-appropriate activities, etc. Give her a call at 580-559-5786 or email at geolsul@ecok.edu.

Contact Information for You

Center for Early Childhood Professional Development

1-888-446-7608 www.cecpd.org

Warmline — 1-888-574-5437

free telephone consultation for child care providers — covers behavioral and health related topics

Scholars for Excellence in Child Care

Statewide — Kiki McWilliams

1-866-343-3881

www.okhighered.org/scholars

Pathway to CDA — Gina McPherson

1-866-343-3881

www.okhighered.org/scholars

Child Care Services County Offices

Carter Co. (580) 490-3600

Garvin Co. (405) 238-6461

Johnston Co. (580) 371-4000

Love Co. (580) 490-3600

Marshall Co. (580) 795-8100

McClain Co. (405) 527-6511

Murray Co. (580) 622-2186

OKfuskee Co. (918) 623-3100

Pontotoc Co. (580) 310-7050

Pottawatomie Co. (405) 878-4000

Seminole Co. (405) 257-7400

We've Moved!!!!

Child Care Resource Center has a new home. We are still located on ECU's campus in the Fentem Hall Building, but we've moved to the first floor.

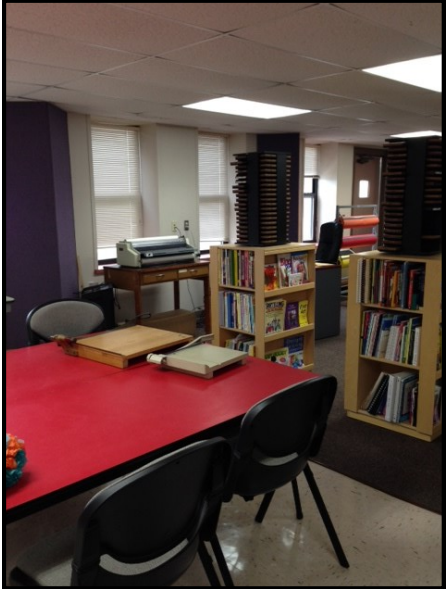
Benefits for you.

- ♦ **Easier access to our lending library and teacher resource room. When you come to visit, just pull up under the covered area and you don't have to worry about parking in the ECU parking lots.**
- ♦ **On-site training room. We now host training in the same area as our teacher resource room.**
- ♦ **Laminating and die cuts are still available, as well as theme boxes, children's books and curriculum materials.**
- ♦ **Computer for you or your staff to access.**

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OUR
NEW
PLACE



TRAINING ROOM



**We Are Available to Provide
One-on-One Assistance in your
Family Child Care Home or Child Care Center Classroom**

Please call 580-559-5768 or email us for the following services:
Cheryl Bell cbell@ecok.edu or Georgiana Sullivan geolsul@ecok.edu

On-site Assistance includes:

- ◆ Observation and suggestions for new teachers or those needing new ideas
- ◆ Room Arrangement, Transitions, Equipment Inventory, Behavior and Guidance
- ◆ Understanding of Basic Child Development, Building Relationships with Families
- ◆ Information on how to get started with Reaching for Stars Quality Improvement program
- ◆ Assisting Directors/Owners with Professional Development Plans, Contracts, Handbooks, Getting Signed Up on the Registry

We also offer help over the phone and by email. Give us a call or send us an email.

**Do you have staff interested in
taking college classes?
Check out the
Scholars for Excellence in Child Care Program**

What Is the Scholars Program?

The Scholars Program awards scholarships to eligible child care professionals to complete coursework in the area of child development or early childhood education, as well as the Child Development Associate (CDA) and Certified Childcare Professional (CCP) Credential Assessment. These scholarships enable child care providers in Oklahoma to improve their skills through education, receive an educational stipend and continue the availability of quality child care in local communities.

Mission Statement

The Scholars for Excellence in Child Care Program ensures that eligible child care professionals in the state of Oklahoma have an opportunity to attend a technology center or community college to further their education while earning a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential, Certificate of Mastery, Director's Certificate of Completion, and/or an associate degree in child development or early childhood education.

Seminole State College — Child Development Courses

[For Information on Classes at Seminole State College](#)

Call Admissions 405-382-9230

Murray State College—Child Development Courses

[Contact: Amy McCain, Chair/Assistant Professor, Education & Behavioral Science](#)

580-387-7411 amccain@mscok.edu



For information on Family & Consumer Sciences program at East Central University, please visit www.ecok.edu or contact Ms. Jan Long at jmlong@ecok.edu

UPCOMING TRAINING DATES

Safe Sleep-Reducing SIDS in Child Care

Monday, May 22, 2017 6:30-8:30 PM

This course meets the DHS Licensing Requirement for
2-hour FORMAL training on Safe Sleep Practices

Kidzone Day Care Center

2201 4th Ave NW, Ardmore, OK

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Pre-registration required by calling
580-559-5768 or by emailing cbell@ecok.edu

Child Passenger Safety Training

Wednesday, May 24 8:30 am—5:00 pm

Pontotoc County Health Department, Ada, OK

Chickasaw Nation Child Care Conference

Saturday, June 10, 2017

Chickasaw Business Conference Center

East Central University campus, 830 E. Main, Ada, OK

8:00 AM—3:30 PM 6 hours FORMAL training

Cost: \$10 per person

Contact Sandra Manuel sandra.manuel@chickasaw.net to register

Online Course: Reducing SIDS in Child Care

www.cecponline.org

Cost is \$5.00 per person until June 30, 2017

This course is a 3-hour FORMAL training and meets the
DHS Licensing Requirement for Safe Sleep Training

Informal training may be obtained through webinars.

www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com

Care Courses has online courses that meeting Oklahoma's training requirements

www.carecourses.com