



STAR NET Regions I & III
Western Illinois University
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Illinois STAR NET Regions I & III is operated under the Center for Best Practices in Early Childhood Education through a grant awarded by the Illinois State Board of Education; 100% of annual funding for the project is from federal sources.

Reaching for the Stars

STAR NET Regions I & III
Events Calendar

January 2019 - June 2019

Illinois STAR NET provides a variety of opportunities for personal and professional growth for those who touch the lives of young children, ages birth to eight, with an emphasis on children with special needs.

STAR NET supports family-centered, researched, and effective practices in early childhood education and care.

“Although the world is full of suffering, it is full also of the overcoming of it.”

— Helen Keller

- Webinar Training
- Regional Workshops
- On-Site Consultations
- Technical Assistance
- Family Support
- Apples Videos
- Resource Library
- Fellowships



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About STAR NET

STAR NET REGIONS

STAR NET is divided into six regions in Illinois. **This is the events calendar of Northwest Region I and Central Region III.** To determine your STAR NET region, see the map of Illinois counties inside. If you belong to another region, please contact your region to inquire about training opportunities in your area.

COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

TRAINING EVENTS that promote best practices in early childhood are planned in collaboration with local agencies and school districts. If you would like to plan a training event with us, please email starnet@wiu.edu.

COMMUNITY FORUMS represent all those involved with young children in a particular area. Early childhood education and care is nurtured through community forums, and STAR NET has a history of supporting area partnerships. We can assist local efforts to organize your early childhood neighborhood. The EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUP acts as an advisory forum for the planning and coordination of training initiatives among programs/agencies and assists the STAR NET staff in the input, feedback, and review of Regions I & III grant activities.

FAMILY FOCUS

STAR NET offers Family Fellowships, conferences, and workshops promoting family-

centered perspectives. Family Resource Specialists, who are parents of children with special needs, provide information, support, & training to families and providers.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE & ON-SITE CONSULTATION

STAR NET staff are available to provide assistance and support of early childhood related issues and program concerns. Call us to share ideas, investigate resources, and brainstorm solutions. We also welcome the opportunity to visit classrooms and network with early childhood professionals and families.

RESOURCE LIBRARY

STAR NET has a library of books, videos, DVDs, and kits that provide information on early childhood topics. Visit www.starnet.org/home to view and request materials.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

FELLOWSHIPS: STAR NET provides fellowship reimbursement funds to individuals so they may attend Illinois trainings. Family members of a child with special needs who is enrolled in or will transition to early childhood special education services and professionals who provide early childhood special education services are eligible to apply. Funds may be used for workshop registration, travel, substitute teachers, and child care (families only).

Workshop Information

WORKSHOP FEES

All workshops offered through STAR NET are **free of charge** unless otherwise noted.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Registrations are taken by mail, fax, or website, but not by phone. Submit one registration per person (i.e., do not list multiple names on one form). A registration form is included in this events calendar and may be mailed to: STAR NET Regions I & III, WIU, Horabin Hall 32, Macomb, IL 61455, or faxed to: (309) 298-2305. **You may also register online at www.starnet.org/home.**

Please do not assume automatic acceptance. Because STAR NET is an early childhood grant project, if a waiting list develops, priority is given to family members of and professionals working with children age 3-5. Priority is also given to persons in Regions I & III (unless the workshop is a collaboration with another region). Otherwise, participants are registered on a first-come, first-served basis. **The final list will be determined and confirmations (and waiting list notices if applicable) will be sent by email three weeks prior to the training.** If you do not receive either a confirmation email or a waiting list notice, please email starnet@wiu.edu.

STARTING TIMES & LUNCH

Registration begins 30 minutes before start time. Registered participants should carefully check the start time for the workshop, and be signed in before that time. There will generally be a one hour break for lunch. Lunch will be on your own, unless noted.

CANCELLATION

Email STAR NET at starnet@wiu.edu if you need to cancel, so that we may notify those on the waiting list of the opportunity to attend. Because of the popularity of these sessions, registrants who neglect to cancel will be given a lower priority for registration at future workshops. STAR NET reserves the right to cancel any workshop due to low registra-

tion.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

STAR NET is a Professional Development Provider for credit hours for Educator License Renewal and Child Development Associate (CDA) credit. STAR NET is also authorized by the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation as a CE Sponsor for Licensed Speech-Language Pathologists/Audiologists, Registered Social Workers, Licensed Clinical Professional Counselors, Physical Therapists, and Occupational Therapists. In addition, most STAR NET trainings are approved by Gateways to Opportunity, so participants who provide us with their Gateways Member ID can automatically receive credit on their Gateways Professional Development Record (PDR). Early Intervention Credit may be available for selected workshops through Illinois Early Intervention Training. Training participants who fully attend/participate and complete the evaluation will receive a certificate (ISBE Evidence of Completion). Contact hours will not be adjusted to meet individual needs. To avoid distractions and enable everyone to fully participate, children are not permitted in workshops.

ILLINOIS TEACHING & LEARNING STANDARDS

Trainings offered by STAR NET are applicable to the Illinois Professional Teaching Standard on Instructional Delivery, "The teacher understands how individuals grow, develop, and learn and provides learning opportunities that support the intellectual, social, and personal development of all students." Unless otherwise indicated, trainings are applicable to all of the Illinois Early Learning and Development Standards.

ACCESSIBILITY

All workshops will be held at sites that are accessible. Please make your request no later than two weeks before the scheduled event for special accommodations, such as sign language or modified print materials.



Apples Videos on YouTube

Since 1989, STAR NET Regions I & III has been producing **Apples Videos** on a variety of early childhood topics, including science, math, music, inclusion, behavior, environment, para-educators, planning, diversity, therapy, family involvement, & self-regulation.

To find our YouTube channel, search "YouTube STAR NET Early Childhood" or link to it from www.starnet.org/home. Our YouTube channel contains the most current videos and a few selected older videos that are still relevant.

The videos are also available on DVD for loan or purchase.

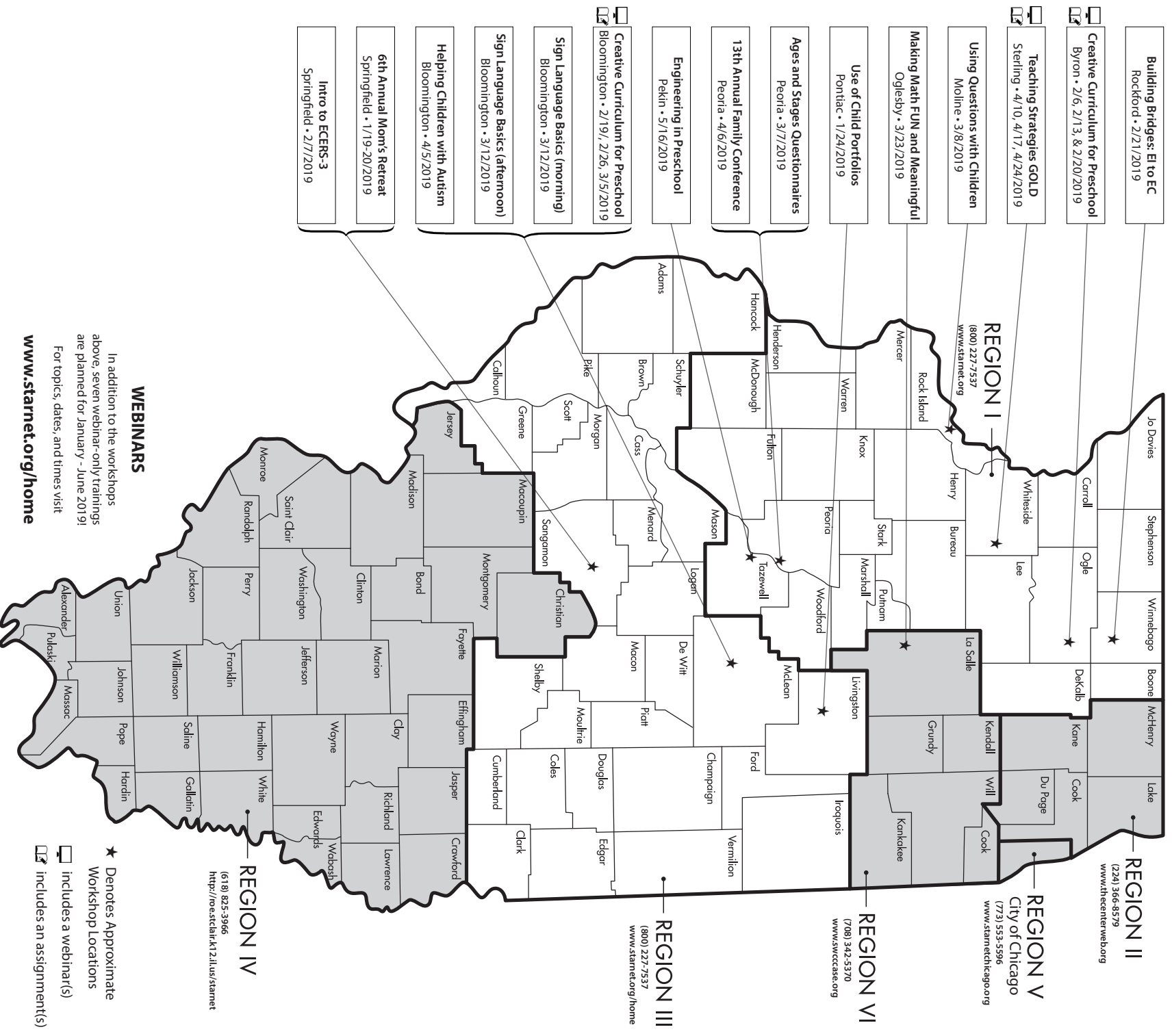
Visit www.starnet.org/home, Training: Apples Videos for more information.

Workshop Locations

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STAR NET Regions I & III workshops are conducted at locations across Northwest & Central Illinois (the area in white).

If you belong to Regions II, V, VI, or IV, call the appropriate office or visit the website provided for training opportunities in your area.



Training Registration Form

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More information for each event and online registration are available at www.starnet.org/home.

If the location is listed here as "webinar" you will find the training on our website in the Training > Online Webinars section. Otherwise, you will find the training in Training > Face-to-Face Workshops.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Date(s)	* = prerequisite required, see www.starnet.org/home for details	<input type="checkbox"/> = assignment(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> = webinar(s)	Location	Cont. Ed.
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/17 (Thu)	• Apps for Young Children and Families (webinar)		<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		1.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/19 (Sat)+1/20	• 6th Annual Mom's Retreat – For Moms of Children with Disabilities (Overnight)		Springfield		2.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/24 (Thu)	• Use of Child Portfolios in Authentic Assessment		Pontiac		6.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/29 (Tue)	• What Does an Individualized Education Program Look Like? (webinar)		<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		1.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/31 (Thu)+2/28+3/21	• Book Study: Big Questions for Young Minds: Extending Children's Thinking (three-part	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		7.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 2/5 (Tue)	• From Here to There: Big-Picture Thinking for Children with Disabilities (webinar)		<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		1.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 2/6 (Wed)+2/13+2/20	• The Creative Curriculum for Preschool: Implementation for Teachers (webinars + workshop)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Byron		12.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 2/7 (Thu)	• Introduction to the Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale - 3rd Edition (ECERS-3)		Springfield		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 2/19 (Tue)+2/26+3/5	• The Creative Curriculum for Preschool: Implementation for Teachers (webinars + workshop)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Bloomington		12.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 2/21 (Thu)	• Building Bridges: The Transition Process from Early Intervention to Early Childhood		Rockford		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3/5 (Tue)	• Everyday Transitions (webinar)		<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		1.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3/7 (Thu)	• Introduction to the Ages and Stages-3 and Ages and Stages Social-Emotional-2 Questionnaires (ASQ)		Peoria		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3/8 (Fri)	• Using Questions with Young Children – When, Where, Why, and How?		Moline		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3/12 (Tue)	• Sign Language Basics: Talking With Your Hands (afternoon session)		Bloomington		3.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3/12 (Tue)	• Sign Language Basics: Talking With Your Hands (morning session)		Bloomington		3.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3/23 (Sat)	• Making Math FUN and Meaningful		Oglesby		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 (Fri)	• Helping Children with Autism Retain Self-Control through Communication and Social Skills		Bloomington		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 4/6 (Sat)	• IFLC 13th Annual Family Conference: Resources and Inspiration for Adult Family Members and Caregivers of		Peoria		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 4/9 (Tue)	• Math - Literacy Connection (webinar)		<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		1.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 4/10 (Wed)+4/17+4/24	• * Teaching Strategies GOLD Online: Introduction for Teachers (webinars + workshop)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sterling		12.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 5/14 (Tue)	• From Here to There: Big-Picture Thinking for Children with Disabilities (webinar)		<input type="checkbox"/> WEBINAR		1.5 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 5/16 (Thu)	• Engineering in Preschool: Fostering Critical, Creative, and Innovative Thinking		Pekin		5.0 HR
<input type="checkbox"/> 6/4 (Tue)	• Day Camp for Early Educators: Ramp Up Discovery: The Little Engineers That Can!		TBD		4.5 HR

Name _____ Program Affiliation: _____ Position: _____

Email _____ Early Intervention (EI) O Administrator

_____ ECSE O Develop. Specialist (EI)

Phone(s) _____ Preschool for All (PFA) O Family Member

_____ Blended ECSE/PFA O Family Educator

_____ Head Start O Teacher

Home Address _____ Preschool Expansion O Paraprofessional

_____ K-3 O OT/PT

City _____ State Prevention Initiative O Psychologist

_____ State Zip _____ O Service Coordinator (EI)

District/Agency _____ Child Care O SLP

_____ Community Pre-School O Social Worker

_____ Other _____ O Other _____

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