ILLINOIS STAR NET Northwest Region I & Central Region III

STAR NET Regions I & III
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Reaching for the Stars

STAR NET Regions I & III
Events Calendar

January - June 2020

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.

"I don't think anyone can grow unless he's loved exactly as he is now, appreciated for what he is rather than what he will be."

- Fred Rogers

- Webinar Training
- Regional Workshops
- On-Site Consultations
- 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).

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, paraeducators, 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 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, Horrabin 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 future workshops. STAR NET reserves the right to cancel any workshop due to low enrollment.

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.

Workshop Locations

STAR NET Regions I & III • January through June 2020

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.

Large/Small Group: Teacher's Role
Freeport • 2/21/2020

Embedding Structured Teaching
Rockford • 2/7/2020

Using Questions with Children
Rockford • 4/2/2020

Building Bridges: EI to ECSE
Dixon • 3/5/2020

Stages of Emergent Writing
East Moline • 1/31/2020

Conscious Disc.: Positive Climate
East Moline • 3/13/2020

Creative Curriculum
Princeton • 3/5-6/2020

Making Math Fun & Meaningful
Macomb • 2/28/2020

Inclusion - Dual Language Learners
Bloomington • 2/20/2020

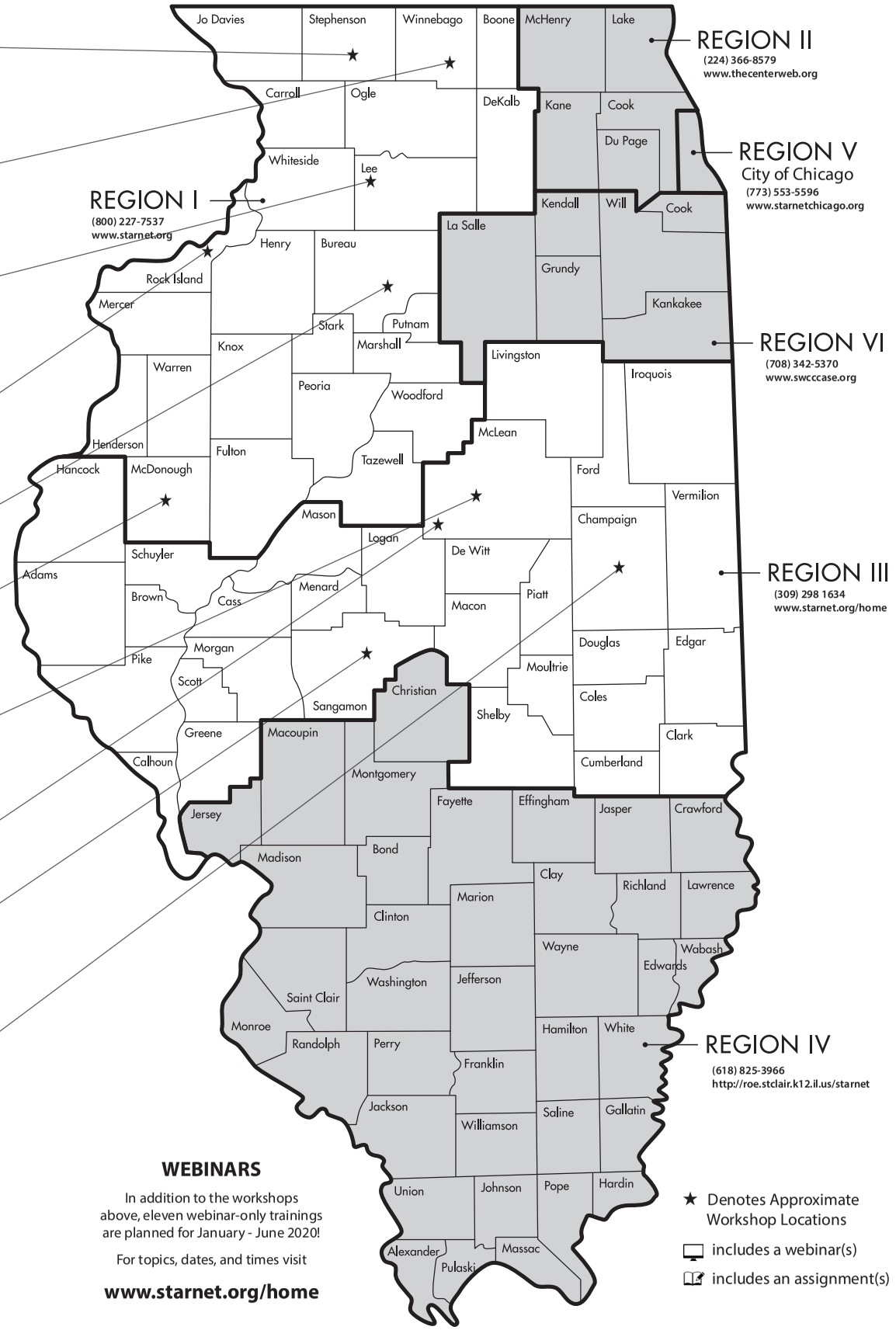
Powerful Interactions: Lang. Devel.
Bloomington • 4/16/2020

Project Approach - Supports
McLean • 6/10/2020

7th Annual Mom's Retreat
Springfield • 1/25-26/2020

Wonderful World of Blocks
Urbana • 1/23/2020

Conscious Discipline: Defiance
Urbana • 4/9/2020



WEBINARS

In addition to the workshops above, eleven webinar-only trainings are planned for January - June 2020!

For topics, dates, and times visit

www.starnet.org/home

★ Denotes Approximate Workshop Locations

includes a webinar(s)

includes an assignment(s)

Training Registration Form

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More information for each event and online registration: **www.starnet.org/home**

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☒	Date(s) ★ = prerequisite required, see www.starnet.org/home for details	🕮 = assignment(s)	🖵 = webinars(s)	Location	Cont. Ed.
☐	1/9 • Understanding the Impact of Toxic Stress (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	1/21 + 2/18 + 3/24 • Book Study: The Body Keeps the Score (three-part webinar)	🕮	🖵		7.5 HR
☐	1/23 • The Wonderful World of Blocks			Urbana	5.0 HR
☐	1/25 + 1/26 • 7th Annual Mom's Retreat – For Moms of Children with Disabilities (Overnight)			Springfield	0.0 HR
☐	1/31 • Stages of Emergent Writing: Meaningful Ways to Support Preschoolers and their Families			East Moline	5.0 HR
☐	2/4 + 2/25 + 3/31 • Book Study: Coaching with Powerful Interactions A Guide for Partnering with Early Childhood Teachers	🕮	🖵		7.5 HR
☐	2/7 • Embedding Structured Teaching in the Inclusive Early Childhood Classroom			Rockford	5.0 HR
☐	2/11 + 3/10 + 4/7 + 5/5 • ★ Pyramid Model Community of Practice: Deepening Understanding of the Tiers of Social-		🖵		6.0 HR
☐	2/20 • Everyday Transitions (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	2/20 • High Quality Inclusion of Young Dual Language Learners in Preschool Classrooms			Bloomington	5.0 HR
☐	2/21 • Large Group and Small Group: A Closer Look at the Teacher's Role			Freeport	5.0 HR
☐	2/28 • Making Math FUN and Meaningful			Macomb	5.0 HR
☐	3/5 • Building Bridges: The Transition Process from Early Intervention to Early Childhood			Dixon	5.0 HR
☐	3/5 + 3/6 • The Creative Curriculum for Preschool: Implementation for Teachers			Princeton	12.0 HR
☐	3/13 • Conscious Discipline: Building the School Family and Creating Positive School Climates			East Moline	6.0 HR
☐	3/19 • Play, Imagination, and Discovery (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	4/2 • Using Questions with Young Children - When, Where, Why, and How?			Rockford	5.0 HR
☐	4/9 • Conscious Discipline: You Can't Make Me! Five Levels of Defiance and How to Effectively Respond to Each			Urbana	6.0 HR
☐	4/16 • Using Powerful Interactions to Support Language Development for All Children			Bloomington	5.0 HR
☐	4/28 • A Close Look at Motivation: Going Beyond the Use of Tickets, Tokens, and Charts (webinar)		🖵		2.0 HR
☐	4/29 • Inclusion: Supporting Friendships (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	5/7 • Help! Summer's Coming (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	6/2 • What Does an Individualized Education Program Look Like? (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	6/4 • Apps for Young Children and Families (webinar)		🖵		1.5 HR
☐	6/10 • Day Camp for Early Educators: Using Accommodations and Supports with All Children while Implementing the			McLean	3.5 HR

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Email _____

Phone _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

District/Agency _____

Home County _____ Work County _____

If applicable... IEIN _____ Gateways ID _____

Program Affiliation:

O Early Intervention (EI)
O ECSE
O Preschool for All (PFA)
O Blended ECSE/PFA
O Head Start
O Preschool Expansion
O K-3
O State Prevention Initiative
O Child Care
O Community Pre-School
O Other _____

Position:

O Administrator
O Develop. Specialist (EI)
O Family Member
O Family Educator
O Teacher
O Paraprofessional
O OT/PT
O Psychologist
O Service Coordinator (EI)
O SLP
O Social Worker
O Other _____

Confirmations and waiting list notices emailed three weeks before event. Special accommodations must be requested at least three weeks prior.

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