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Please Join us for  
Childcare and Early  
Learners Advocacy Day!

March 1st, 2023

## Child Care and Early Learners Advocacy Day at the Capitol

March 1st, 2023

Registration: 9am

Program: 10am-2pm  
(lunch provided)

Statehouse Rotunda

Join us and fellow advocates to  
educate lawmakers about the  
needs of the early learning and  
child care community!



Participating organizations: Child Care Aware of Eastern Kansas, Child Care Aware of Kansas, Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas, Child Start Inc., The Family Conservancy, First 1,000 Days, Kansas Action for Children, Kansas Association for the Education of Young Children, Kansas Head Start Association, Kansas Parents as Teachers Association

Register by Feb. 17 at: [tinyurl.com/CCEEA-Day-2023](https://tinyurl.com/CCEEA-Day-2023)

Please register here  
by February 17th!



## BRIGHT FUTURES SUCCESSES



### BRIGHT FUTURES SUCCESS STORY

Baby, although born early, is healthy and is gaining weight. Mom and Dad are successfully feeding him 4 oz. at each feeding about every 3 hours up from 1 or 2 oz. at birth. He is eating better and not taking quite as long to consume. He is beginning to wake up to eat at night on his own and not require stimulation to suck. He is turning to Mom and dad voices and faces over other people. . Mom got enrolled in WIC and has made it to her doctor appointments. Mom has met with me as scheduled and is returning texts asking questions and receiving information well. Family has gotten settled in new home and have most of the things they need and everything Baby needs.

14 New Referrals

118 Active Referrals

38 Participating Programs





## UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



### **KPATA IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE**

A Virtual Training  
Session

**PROMOTING RESILIENCY WITH YOUTH  
EXPOSED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
PROVIDED BY:  
THE KANSAS COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL AND  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**MARCH 2ND 1:00 - 5:00 PM**



Training is Free for KPATA Members.  
If you would like to attend please complete your  
registration by accessing the included link.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

You will need to create an account on their website  
prior to registering.

If you have questions, please contact Hilary Koehn  
at [hkoehn@kpata.org](mailto:hkoehn@kpata.org).

Please use these steps to register for this training:



1. Register for an account on [kcsdv.org](https://kcsdv.org) by going [here](#).
2. Go to the [registration link here](#) to register.
3. On the registration page, scroll to the bottom and select the "Qty" of tickets you want then click "Register Now".
4. Follow the prompts to complete registration.
5. Once your registration is complete, you should receive an email confirming your registration.

# UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



POSTPONED



KPATA VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSION  
with Karen Howard

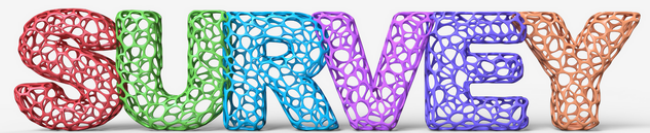


## RACIAL EQUITY AWARENESS & PRACTICES

FREE FOR KPATA MEMBERS

**THIS TRAINING HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO  
MAY 4th from 1:00 - 2:30 pm**

Please watch for the registration link to come out soon!



This training will include a (pre)survey as an important component of our training preparation to meet the needs of the attendees. Please watch for the survey which will come out at the end of February.



### DID YOU KNOW?

PBS offers this awesome tool for free? Check it out:

ACCESS PBS WHAT IS RACE by  
[Clicking Here](#)



Access PBS  
"What is  
Race" Here



## UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

[Register here](#)

KANSAS PARENTS AS TEACHERS VIRTUAL

### Lunch & Learn

*Pack your lunch and join us for a conversation with colleagues about:*

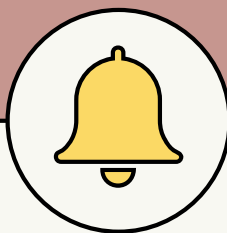
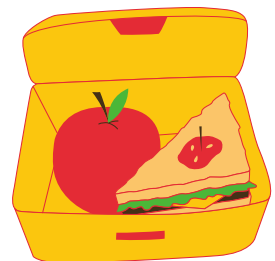
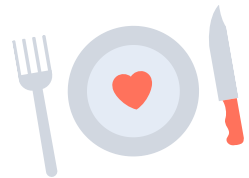
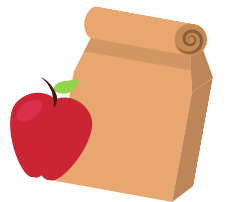
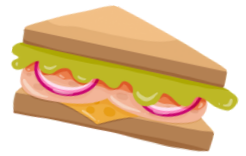
*Engaging Diverse Communities in PAT services...*

- Parent Educator Panel
- Approaching families with respect of their culture norms
- Event & Recruiting Supports

*March 30th*

12:00 - 1:00

REGISTER IN ADVANCE BY CLICKING  
THE LINK BELOW:  
[ZOOM REGISTRATION](#)



**Are you a KPATA Member?**

[Register here](#) to become a member for the 2022-2023 program year and have access to all of our great trainings!

# 2022-2023 TRAINING SCHEDULE

## TRAINING SCHEDULE

PARENT EDUCATORS AND COORDINATORS  
KPATA BRIGHT FUTURES 2022-23

JULY

**podcast**  
PRACTICE SELF-COMPASSION

7/28 1:00-2:30 PM

AUGUST

*Teeth for Two*  
- Oral Health Coalition -

8/18 PAOLA, KS  
9/15 HUTCHINSON, KS

SEPTEMBER

**BREASTFEEDING & MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH**

- KS BREASTFEEDING COALITION -  
9/22 1:00-2:30 PM

OCTOBER

**Postpartum Depression**  
- Next Steps After Screening -

10/20 1:00-2:30 PM

NOVEMBER

**ACES TRAINING**  
- KCSL -

11/17 1:00-3:00 PM

DECEMBER

*POSITIVE SUPPORTS*  
*Impact On Family Well-Being*

12/15 1:00-3:00 PM

JANUARY

**ORAL HEALTH**

1/19 1:00-2:30 PM

FEBRUARY

**Racial Equity**  
A FOUNDATION OF UNDERSTANDING

**POSTPONED**

MARCH

*Domestic Violence*

- IMPACT ON YOUTH -

3/2 1:00-5:00 PM

APRIL

*Child Abuse & Neglect*  
KCSL

4/20 1:00-3:00 PM

MAY

*Substance Use Disorder*

Supporting Families  
DATE & TIME TBD

JUNE

**No Training This Month**





PAT  
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OUR BONFIRE PAGE





# 2023 KPATA Conference

<https://kpata.org/2023-kpata-conference>

Salina, KS  
April 17th & 18th

**HEROES. HURDLES. HOPE.**

"I think a hero is any person really intent on making this a better place for all people."  
— Maya Angelou



## 2023 KPATA Conference Objectives



### HEROES

- Connect and collaborate to grow and thrive as early childhood professionals.



### HURDLES

- Gain knowledge about best practices in home visiting as well as effective ways to support the needs of children and families.



### HOPE

- Explore and examine available resources which will help families to flourish and thrive in our Kansas communities.



**Heroes.  
Hurdles.  
Hope.**

2023 KPATA CONFERENCE  
WEBSTER  
CONFERENCE CENTER  
2601 N. OHIO ST.  
SALINA, KS

**APRIL 17TH**  
1:00 pm – 4:15 pm

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**APRIL 18TH**  
8:30 am – 12:30 pm  
KPATA Membership Meeting  
1:00 – 2:00 pm



**Remember:** The most up to date 2023 Conference information can always be found on our website at:  
<https://kpata.org/2023-kpata-conference>

### KEYNOTE

Stephen P. Zwolak,  
M.Ed.



### REGISTER

Please register by **April 3rd** by completing the form [here](#).

Cost to attend:

IN-PERSON

\$70 for KPATA members and \$110 for non-KPATA members

VIRTUAL

\$40 for KPATA members and \$80 for non-KPATA members

# 2023 KPATA Conference

<https://kpata.org/2023-kpata-conference>

Salina, KS  
April 17th & 18th



## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Parents as Teachers HYBRID Conference  
April 17th & 18th, 2023



### CONFERENCE FOCUS TOPICS:

- MAKING AN IMPACT WITH MY ROLE
- MEANINGFUL STAFF MEETINGS THAT SUPPORT ALL STAFF
- PROGRAM PLANNING - RECRUITMENT AND ENGAGEMENT
- RELAXATION FOR PARENTS AND KIDS (YOGA, FITNESS ETC.)
- EXPLORING THE ARTS (COOKING, PAINTING, SONGS & STORIES)
- TOOLS I USE THAT I LOVE FOR MY PAT JOB!
- SOLUTIONS TO HOME VISITING CHALLENGES & HURDLES



### WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE WITH OTHERS?

Are you interested in presenting a 60 minute session on one of the topics above? Do you have another topic in mind that would benefit parent educators across the state? If so, please complete the proposal form below. Proposals should be relevant to the work of parent educators who support children under 5 years of age (including prenatal) and their families.

Submit a Proposal

Due February  
22nd, 2023

EXTENDED  
DEADLINE

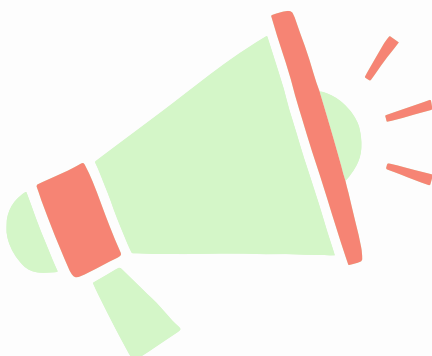
Please fill out the proposal form by connecting at the following web address:

<https://kpata.wufoo.com/forms/kpata-state-conference-call-for-proposals-2023/>

Registration fee will be waived for those who are selected to present. Presenters will be asked to record their session as well as present it live in order to meet the needs of all attendees.

Questions? Please contact Hilary Koehn at [hkoehn@kpata.org](mailto:hkoehn@kpata.org).

[Submit a Proposal Here](#)



ASK FOR THE "Group Block" KPATA RATE

#### RECOMMENDED HOTEL OPTIONS:

**Comfort Inn and Suites**  
1949 North 9th  
785-502-8007  
Rate is \$101 for each room suite or standard  
Includes Breakfast  
Cut Off for the room rate is April 1, 2023

**Holiday Inn Express (undergoing some construction)**  
755 West Diamond Drive (I-70 and north 9th street)  
785-404-3300  
Rate is \$129.99  
Includes Breakfast  
Cut off for the room rate is March 16, 2023



KPATA 2023  
Conference  
Hotel Info.

**Hilton Garden Inn**  
3320 South 9th Steet  
785-309-0440  
Rate is \$112 (online code KPAT)  
Cut off for this rate will be March 13, 2023

CANT  
WAIT

\*Remember to mention TAX EXEMPT

If you need assistance please contact Amanda Winch at [awinch@kpata.org](mailto:awinch@kpata.org)

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN  
HOSTING A VENDOR  
BOOTH AT OUR  
UPCOMING  
CONFERENCE?

\$100  
per booth  
(\$50 for non-profit agency)

KPATA ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
HYBRID EVENT  
APRIL 17TH AND 18TH  
WEBSTER CONFERENCE CENTER  
SALINA, KS



[Host a Vendor Booth Here](#)



**Have you retired from PAT or have an upcoming retirement?**

We'd love to honor your service to Kansas families through Parents as Teachers! Please send us a note and let us know at [kpata@kpata.org](mailto:kpata@kpata.org).

*Almost five years ago a KPATA Board retreat created our Strategic Plan: 16 recommendations came out of the engagement efforts. Our strong leadership navigated KPATA to a place where those recommendations have been embedded into the organization's workings.*

*Growth and evolution the past five years has beckoned an updated plan of direction. In January the Board began engagement in the design of a One-Year Action Plan. Thank you for membership's part in the work by completing the survey! We are better together!*

## Upcoming Events

### February

17th - KPATA Board Meeting

### March

1st - Childcare & Early Learners Advocacy Day

2nd - Domestic Violence Training

17th - KPATA Board Meeting

30th - KPATA Lunch & Learn



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