Practical Insights: Hands-On Learning in Early Childhood Education

Join us for a workshop designed to equip CTE teachers with hands-on skills in the Early Childhood education area. Attendees will tour through the Dragon Daycare facility, gaining insights into practical lesson activities and witnessing firsthand the impact of the early childhood pathway at Belle Plaine High School. Through engaging presentations by student speakers, participants will gather valuable perspectives on the pathway experience, including opportunities for dual credit classes and certification attainment. Discover how students are prepared for success through specialized trainings such as KCCTO and CPR, ensuring they're ready for careers in this profession. With a focus on real-world applications and project implementation for FCCLA Star Events, this session promises to empower educators with the tools and knowledge needed to enrich their teaching practices and inspire future generations of early childhood professionals. Attendees will leave with a comprehensive understanding of the pathway curriculum, practical skills for classroom implementation, and strategies for fostering student success in Early Childhood education.

Introduction: An engaging and informative workshop focused on hands-on technical skills in the Early Childhood area for CTE teachers. This workshop aims to provide valuable insights, resources, and practical activities to enhance teaching effectiveness and student learning outcomes in the Early Childhood pathway.

Workshop Objectives:

- 1. Provide hands-on experience and practical activities in Early Childhood education.
- 2. Explore the Dragon Daycare facility to understand real-world teaching environments.
- 3. Hear from student presenters about their experiences in the Early Childhood pathway at Belle Plaine High School.
- 4. Discuss opportunities for dual credit classes and earning certificates before leaving high school.
- 5. Learn about available trainings, such as KCCTO and CPR, to support student success.
- 6. Gain insights into the pathway curriculum and topics covered in each class to better prepare students with real-world skills.

Workshop Topics:

- Welcome and Introduction to the Workshop
- Overview of Early Childhood Pathway Curriculum / KCCTE Resource Library
- Hands-On Lesson Activities in Early Childhood Education
- Student Presentations on Early Childhood Pathway Experiences
- Tour of the Dragon Daycare Facility
- Discussion on Dual Credit Opportunities and Certificate Programs
- Student certification and training opportunities including KCCTO and CPR
- FCCLA STAR Event Project Implementation
- Q&A Session and Networking Opportunities

Expected Outcomes:

- Enhanced understanding of hands-on teaching techniques in Early Childhood education.
- Increased awareness of dual credit and certificate opportunities for students.
- Improved knowledge of available trainings to support student success.
- Better alignment of curriculum with real-world skills and industry standards.

Conclusion: This workshop will be invaluable in equipping CTE teachers with the necessary tools and knowledge to effectively teach hands-on technical skills in Early Childhood education. By collaborating and sharing insights, we can ensure that our students are well-prepared for success in the field.

Tentative Schedule: (just an idea – will develop more details as we get closer)

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM: Welcome and Introduction to the Workshop

9:15 AM - 9:45 AM: Overview of Early Childhood Pathway Curriculum / KCCTE Resource Library

9:45 AM - 10:30 AM: Hands-On Lesson Activities in Early Childhood Education

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM: Student Presentations on Early Childhood Pathway Experiences

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM: Tour of the Dragon Daycare Facility

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Discussion on Dual Credit Opportunities and Certificate Programs

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM: Lunch Break

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM: Student certification and training opportunities including KCCTO and CPR

1:00 PM - 1:30 PM: FCCLA STAR Event Project Implementation

1:30 PM - 1:45 PM: Q&A Session

1:45 PM - 2:00 PM: Networking Opportunities