



## ARKANSAS 21C ORIENTATION & NETWORK MEETING

Little Rock Hilton, Little Rock  
September 25, 2007  
AGENDA

**8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

- **Orientation for Potential/New Members** *Little Rock Suite A*

**10:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m.**

- **Introductions - Beth Lapin** *Ballroom*

**10:30 a.m. - 12:00 - Focus on Early Childhood Discipline**

- **“Classroom Management for Early Childhood Classroom” – Sandy Daniels, DECCA**
- **Harry Wong’s “Discipline”- Norma Meek**

**12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch**

**1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Update from the Arkansas Department of Education – Dee Cox** Staff from the Department of Education will provide an update and share other news items

**1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions (choose one)**

- **“Creating Special Centers Easily on a Shoestring Budget”- Norma Meek**  
Incorporate Montessori concepts using inexpensive materials to enrich your learning centers in your preK-primary programs. This will be an interactive, hands-on session, valuable for extended day and preK staff. Great ideas for your classroom. *Little Rock Suite A*
- **“Working with Difficult People” - Kathy Price**  
Faced with people we don't like most of us tend to write them off, or vent about them to others. This session will teach how to approach difficult people in productive ways. *Little Rock Suite B*
- **“Language as it correlates to the ECERS Scale” - Phyl McWhorter, ASU**  
*University Suite*

**2:15 p.m. – 3:00-p.m. – Breakout Sessions (choose one)**

- **“Transforming Children’s Behavioral Health in Arkansas”- Elizabeth Wright Burak** *Little Rock Suite B*  
Governor Mike Beebe and First Lady Ginger Beebe have made improving children’s behavioral health a priority for Arkansas. This session will describe the state’s efforts to date and discuss the newly appointed Children’s Behavioral Health Care Commission and other priorities under Act 1593 of 2007.
- **“Techniques to Work with Challenging Behavior in the Classroom”– Sandy Daniels, DECCA** *Little Rock Suite A*
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**3:00 p.m. –3:30 p.m.**

- **Update from the Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education – Tonya Russell** *Ballroom*  
Staff from the Division will provide any relevant legislative updates and share division news

**3:30 p.m. – Closing - Beth Lapin**