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## It's Time to Play! Nurturing *Each and Every* Child's Curiosity, Learning, and Well-Being

The 29th Annual Kindergarten Conference -

A Focus on Children Ages 4, 5, and 6

Friday, April 1, 2022

A Hybrid Conference from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



**A conference designed for principals, curriculum directors, and early educators throughout the State.**

**Keynote:** The day will open with stories from several Vermont schools where kindergarten teachers and administrators offer children ample time and meaningful opportunities to learn and grow across all domains - cognitive, emotional, social and physical - through play. There will be an opportunity to reflect on common themes that weave throughout the panelists' experiences as well as follow-up workshops with panel presenters.

**Discussant:** Doty Memorial School:

**Christine Hertz Hausman**, Instructional Coach

**Panelists:** Academy School, Brattleboro:

**Emily Marker**, Kindergarten Teacher

**Jon Sessions**, Assistant Principal

Gertrude Chamberlin School:

**Tina Brown**, Kindergarten Teacher

**Holly Rouelle**, Principal

Rick Marcotte School:

**Bridget Kulhowlvc**, Kindergarten Teacher

Westford Elementary School:

**Cassidy Shumway**, Kindergarten Teacher

**Marcie Lewis**, Principal

Workshops will focus on areas of interest that were identified through a fall survey of early educators.

**In the morning, all workshops will be virtual while in the afternoon face-to-face workshops will be taking place around the state.** Locations include ECHO in Burlington, the North Branch Nature Center in Montpelier, the Brattleboro Museum and Arts Center, the Vermont Institute for Natural Science in Quechee, and the Fairbanks Museum in St. Johnsbury.

Registration will be opening soon! **Space is limited as a result of safety precautions due to Covid for afternoon sessions, so register early.** Fees for educators will be \$100 and \$60 for students.