

## April and May ELQI Professional Development Opportunities

**Registration closing dates and times:** All registrations will close at **12 pm (noon)**, 1 week prior to the session unless otherwise noted. Registration is required to join ELQI PD opportunities.

Late registrations may be accommodated for some of the PD opportunities; please get in touch (email or phone) by 4 pm on the day of the session to see if there is space and to be added to the registration list. Late registrations could be limited to virtual only (if no space is available to join in-person) and participants who register late will not receive materials that are limited in quantity if they are shared.

ELQI will be following our procedures for cancellations and non-attendance; if you are unable to attend a session you have registered for, please call or email Beckie. More information can be found in this blog post: <http://elqi.ca/2023/08/22/procedures-for-cancellations-non-attendance-and-overdue-books/>

You can find information from ELQI on the blog: [www.elqi.ca](http://www.elqi.ca)



### Library Open Houses

Monday, April 22, 2024 from 3:30 pm to 7:00 pm \*note start time change, if you'd like to come in earlier, please reach out

Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Thursday, May 30, 2024 from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Please note, Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> is the last scheduled Library Open House on a Saturday until October.

No registration is required to attend a Library Open House in-person.

When you visit a Library Open House, you will be able to look through the materials available in both the ELQI and Travelling Tales Libraries (more than 1500 resources!), get registered as a Librarika member and even sign materials out (we can make arrangements to have the books delivered to you if doing a virtual tour). If you would like to book a virtual tour of the library during one of these open house times, please send me an email to set it up.

You are welcome to schedule a library visit at a time that is convenient to you that works with ELQI availability. Interactive Library Visits are available to teams that would like to visit and have materials and resources set up to engage with based on a topic of interest to them. Reach out to book a time to visit the library or set up an Interactive Library Visit.

## April Monthly Gatherings

Our discussions each month will continue to connect to *How Does Learning Happen*, our image of the child, *Think, Feel, Act*, documentation, reflective practice, schemas of play, program planning, loose parts, risky play and other topics that continue to come up through conversations and reflections. There will often be materials and invitations for you to explore and engage with to further our conversations and reflections.

You can check the details on the registration form closer to when the session will occur to see what the focus will be for that month. More information will be shared with educators who register that will be used to further our conversations and reflections.

**Note: Gatherings are offered on Wednesdays now that we are in quarter 2 (April, May, June).**

**Please register for each gathering you plan to attend (separate registrations for each).**



### **Infant & Toddler Gathering: Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: documentation

**Registration closes: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/MVuVCVStW7cRWy8W8>

### **Preschool Gathering: Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: reflecting on the presence of *How Does Learning Happen?* in your program (such as: how it is seen/reflected in program/educator expectations, materials available, documentation, etc)

**Registration closes: extended to Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/NFZqTtRh44YbbmfV6>



### **School Age Gathering: Wednesday, April 10, 2024**

from 10:00 am – 11:30 am or 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: sharing printed materials from ELQI to use in your program

**Registration closes: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/rVeNZHtSHKkVbAbYA>

### **Leadership Gathering: Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: connecting *How Does Learning Happen?* with leadership in all positions

**Registration closes: Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/vDiPWuWoPGJ9NNSJ7>



## Recordings of virtual sessions from the Inspiring Early Learning Conference



This registration is to receive the recordings of the virtual sessions from the Inspiring Early Learning Conference with Mandy Hamu. The recordings will be available for a limited time.

### Part 1- Introduction to Trauma and Resiliency

We will discuss trauma and how it impacts our brains and bodies over the life span. We will consider how COVID fits in with this information, how trauma shows up/what to watch for, and how to engage with kids and families in ways that disrupt and interrupt the negative impacts of trauma while helping to build resiliency for the future. The last half hour (8-8:30) will be a Q&A session (we will not record this portion).

### Part 2- Managing Stress and Building Your Own Resiliency

Your work supporting children and their families is so important – who is taking care of you? We will spend time talking about stress, antidotes for stress, and how to build resiliency to help keep your buckets as full as possible.

**This registration is for the recordings of the virtual sessions only (it does not include attending the sessions live).**

Registration to attend the full conference (which includes attending the virtual sessions live and the in-person conference on April 27) has now closed.

**Registration (for the recordings only) closes:** Wednesday, April 3, 2024

\*You do not need to register for the recordings here if you have registered for the full conference

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/PWEsEUx3FSuUTzvt6>

## **Bridges Out of Poverty – 4 part series (full training)**

Tuesdays: April 9, 16, 23, 30 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm \*in-person only

\*\*limited space available



Bridges out of Poverty is a framework for understanding poverty. This training will help educators start to understand the hardships that families living in poverty face every day. There is a big misconception that poverty is caused by poor individual behaviours or choices, but so many other factors can contribute to a family experiencing poverty. We will discuss the individual circumstances, community conditions, exploitation and social/economic structures that can lead to life in poverty as well as how we can support these families without adding extra stress to their already stressful lives.

Participants will review poverty research, examine a theory of change, and analyze poverty through the prism of the hidden rules of class, resources, family structure, and language. The focus of the workshop is to provide a broad overview of concepts. This training assists employers, community organizations, social service agencies, and individuals gain insight and strategies.

A certificate of completion will be provided to participants who attend all 4 sessions.

**Registration closes: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/uYWxXPpcq6L15PkY8>

## May Monthly Gatherings

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\*A thorough overview of these gatherings can be found in the 2024 ELQI Professional Learning Opportunities document: <http://elqi.ca/2023/12/14/2024-elqi-professional-learning-opportunities/>

### Infant & Toddler Gathering: Wednesday, May 22, 2024

from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: to be determined from April's Gathering

**Registration closes: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/nZT8M381MLqzhz6h6>



### Preschool Gathering: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: to be determined from April's Gathering

**Registration closes: Wednesday, April 25, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/uMwW2Zebz6WcBpoF7>

### School Age Gathering: Wednesday, May 8, 2024

from 10:00 am – 11:30 am or 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: to be determined from April's Gathering

**Registration closes: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/rDr9WQJ4PDAt6fCr6>



### Leadership Gathering: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person

Focus: to be determined from April's Gathering

**Registration closes: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/SKQo9QLEFU4syhN96>

## Building Your Bounce – 4 part series

Fridays: May 3, 10, 17, 24 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

\*in-person only \*\*limited space available



We often hear about supporting resiliency in children (and families); do you support your own resiliency? This series will all you the opportunity to look at why your own resiliency is important in the work we do each and every day. You will also have the chance to look at strategies to support your resiliency in areas you have identified as wanting to focus on.

In this series, we will cover:

- What is Resilience?
- Understanding Risk and Protective Factors
- Introduction to the DARS (Devereux Adult Resilience Survey)
- Strategies to Promote Adult Resilience

Note: attendance is needed at all 4 sessions due to the content that needs to be covered.

**Registration closes: Friday, April 26, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**\*\*late registrations cannot be accepted**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/Tph1BFikFqpKbCaN8>

## Travelling Tales Book Study – topic: Self Esteem

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 from 7:00-8:30 pm \*virtual/in-person



In this children's book study, we will come together to read and discuss titles from the Environment category in the Travelling Tales Library. There is no reading required ahead of time; you can attend to hear the stories and join the discussion about the books we read together. We will make connections to the impact these books could have in our work and reflect on how we could use these books in programs.

**Registration closes: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 12:00 pm (noon)**

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/yYNi5DW4tQaU71zr7>

## Reminder:

Please remember our office (CLTH Lindsay office: 205 McLaughlin Road) is a **scent sensitive building**. Thank you for being as fragrant free as possible to help create a safe and accessible environment for everyone.

There is also a **scent allergy to cinnamon and all citrus**. Please do not bring or use anything with these scents prior to visiting our office that contain these scents (such as: food, drinks, candy/gum, scented lotions/hand sanitizer, essential oils, etc.).