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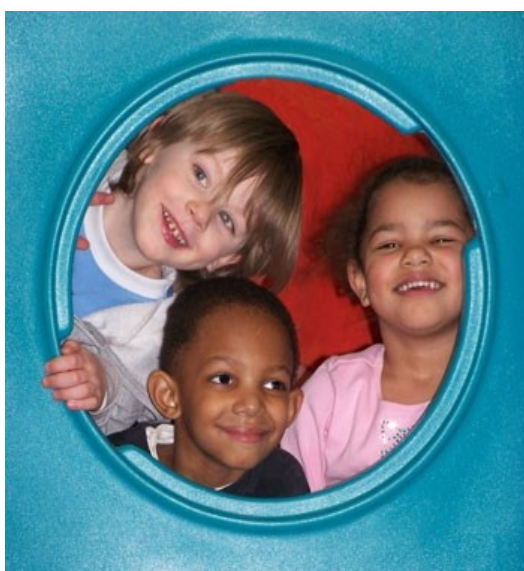
20th Annual Vermont Kindergarten Conference

“Great Moments in Kindergarten”

March 30, 2012

To be held at:

Hilton Hotel in Burlington, Vermont



The Vermont Department of Education and the Early Childhood PreK-3 Program at the University of Vermont invite you to participate in the 20th annual Kindergarten Conference. This conference brings together kindergarten teachers, school administrators, prekindergarten teachers and administrators, teacher educators, researchers, and pre-service teachers to explore evidence-based practices, discuss issues, learn from each other, and become rejuvenated and inspired.

Keynote:

Great Moments in Kindergarten

Celebrating the 20th Vermont Kindergarten Conference, it is appropriate to reflect on the Great Moments in Kindergarten that have occurred over the past two decades. As one of the founders of the Vermont Kindergarten Conference, Jim Squires will offer a refreshing look at all that has happened, and not happened, in policy and practice affecting kindergarten education and the lives of educators and children. Several current and former kindergarten teachers will be on hand to tell stories of their great or not-so-great moments as well. Jim will be certain to remind educators of their critical role in creating Great Moments in the years ahead, too!

BIO: Jim Squires, Ph.D., Senior Research Fellow at the National Institute of Early Education Research (NIEER) at Rutgers University, served as Early Childhood Programs Coordinator at the Vermont Department of Education for nearly 20 years. He has been an educator and administrator in childcare programs, Head Start, migrant education, and higher education. Jim serves on NAEYC’s Council for Accreditation and has served on more early education committees than he can recall.

Other Proposed Conference Highlights:

- *Common Core and Developmentally Appropriate Practices in Literacy*
- *The Art of Classroom Inquiry*
- *Teaching Stewardship for a Healthy World*
- *Follow up to Words Come Alive*
- *Music with Gary Dulabaum*

AND OTHERS

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The Conference Brochure and online registration will be posted on the Department of Education’s Calendar of Events on February 20, 2012 at:
http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/calendar.html#kid_con

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