



Saturday, February 20, 2010
KANSAS PTA EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM
Indian Creek Technology Center
4401 W. 103rd Street
Overland Park, KS 66207
Registration at 8:00 conference begins at 9:00 to 3:00

**Registration is Free and form must be received in office by Feb 13, 2010
to be eligible for door prize drawings.**

Name _____

Daytime Phone _____

Email Address _____

PTA Unit/Council or Organization _____

Breakout Sessions – Please mark your first and second choice for each breakout session:

Breakout Session I
A _____ B _____ C _____

Breakout Session II
D _____ E _____ F _____

**Mail forms to Kansas PTA, Attn: Early Childhood Conference, 715 S.W. Tenth,
Topeka, KS 66612-1686. ALL REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE IN THE
KANSAS PTA OFFICE BY FEBRUARY 13, 2010.**

Please contact the Kansas PTA office by phone at 888-311-5782 or 785-234-5782 or
email kansaspta@gmail.com with any questions.

Breakout Session Descriptions:

A. Parents' Rights – This session covers parent's legal rights in relation to classroom observation, their children's school records, due process in discipline policies, testing, and access to information from a campus level to the district level. Information is provided on categorical programs such as Title I, Title III, Gifted and Talented, Special Education and Migrant Programs. A discussion is held on the process for resolving a school related problem and how to exercise your rights. Presented by Armen Alvarez, National PTA.

B. Sharing POWER! For Collaboration. Learning to Play Together Nicely
Life is so much more fun when we all play together! This session will focus on National PTA Family/School Partnership Standard 5: Sharing Power, as applied to early childhood. Efforts of early childhood organizations to collaborate and share information so that families are supported will be highlighted and ways that Early Childhood Parent Groups, such as PTAs can collaborate with established groups will be discussed. Participants in this session will gain skills and knowledge that, when applied, can lead to better outcomes for All Children and Families. Presented by Tammie Benham, KPIRC.

C. Uniqueness of Early Childhood Experience
Presentation on what makes the early childhood experience unique, programs and polices to follow to make early childhood learning the basis for a strong future educational environment for each child. Presented by Michelle Wallace-Beaven and staff/partners.

D. Urban Initiative
This workshop will provide an overview of the National PTA Urban Initiative Program. The program has been implemented in 12 cities across the nation, learn about the program, how it operates and how to reach and be successful with students and parents in urban areas. Presented by Nore Hare, National PTA.

E. Best Practices for Early Childhood Units
Explore the best practices for operating early childhood PTA units. Learn how to start a successful PTA unit, what works/what doesn't and how to proceed when the decision has been made to form an early childhood PTA unit. Presented by Michelle Wallace-Beaven and staff/partners.

F. Value of PTA Membership
This session will focus on the value of PTA membership – what you get for your PTA membership dues. We will explore PTA programs from early childhood to high school – advocacy, arts, and leadership programs and beyond. Explore why you should be PTA member and the valuable work PTA does in your community. Presented by the Kansas PTA Board of Managers.