



This full-day workshop will introduce the participants to principles of inspiring spaces and provide a chance to talk with Centre Staff about their values in the classroom. The staff will discuss their thought processes about their environments as well as explain their passion for their practice. Discussions and ideas on ways in which environments could inspire children, parents and the community will occur before and during the tour. We will be going from Truro to Pictou by bus and will spend about 45 minutes at each Centre.

We will be visiting the following Centres:

Dr. Jane Norman Child Study Centre– 60 Lorne Street, Truro, NS

The Dr. Jane Norman Child Study Center offers a play-based program for children ages 2 to 5 years. The center is also inclusive and, therefore, encourages and supports the integration of children with a variety of special needs. The program curriculum is based on the emergent curriculum model.

A Bungalo' Fun Learning Centre– 24 Kaulback Street, Truro, NS

A Bungalo' Fun Learning Centre is a play based childcare centre, offering an emergent curriculum program. We care for children ages 18 months to 5 years.

Spring Garden Child Care Centre– 2380 Spring Garden Road, Westville, NS

The Spring Garden Child Care Centre has full day programs providing care for children ages 18 months to 5 years. They strive to implement high quality programs for all children in their care. Through the Emergent Curriculum approach, children are able to have an active role in their learning. They believe highly that children learn by doing and aim to maintain environments that provide children with opportunities to engage in meaningful learning experiences.

Starting Blocks Day Care & Preschool-24 Ross Street, Pictou, NS

Starting Blocks Day Care & Preschool's motto is where friendships and memories are made. The Centre provides care for children 18 months to 8 years. They use the Emergent Curriculum approach with some theme-based programming.

Liz Hicks has over 31 years working within the early childhood field as an elementary school teacher, administrator of and teacher in a part-day program for 23 years, 5.5 years as an inclusion facilitator for Partnerships for Inclusion, and part time faculty with NSCECE. She is also a private consultant working with various Centres in H.R.M providing professional development on a variety of topics including environmental and inclusion rating scales and program coordination. Her passion is to help educators (and administrators) find and develop their potential so they can help children find and develop their potential.



Date: Saturday, September 29, 2018 **6 PD hours**

Waitlist Date: Saturday, November 17, 2018

Time: 9:00am-4:00pm (**please bring a lunch**)

Cost: \$85.00 **Facilitator:** Liz Hicks

Location: We will all meet at **NSCC Truro Campus** (Forrester Hall-Room 305) for an hour then be bussed to each of the Centres.

We go in all weather; therefore, dress appropriately as you do not want to miss the outdoor spaces.

Preregistration is required-submit your ECDSC registration form along with payment by Sept. 14th.

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