



The Couch Exchange: Professional Learning Opportunities and Resources from the Comfort of Your Own Home – Issue 35

Explore your personal professional learning goals through a variety of webinars, resources, websites, and other virtual learning opportunities that support your ongoing journey and well-being.

Online Webinars and Training for Educators and Administrators

- The Canadian Early Mathematics Education Conference running March 1 to March 4, 2021: click here
- Schema Play Series Session 3: Emotional Schemas Wednesday March 3, 2021 from 6:30 to 8:00pm: click here
- STEAM Series Session 3: STEAM in the Outdoors Thursday March 4, 2021 from 6:30 to 8:00pm: click here
- Strengthening Your Leadership Skills by Building Balanced Empathy (for Administrators) **Friday March 5, 2021** from **9:00am to 3:00pm: click here**
- Deepening Emotional Resilience through Building Balanced Empathy (for Educators) Saturday March 6, 2021 from 9:00am to 3:00pm: click here
- Naturalizing your Indoor Early Learning & Child Care Environment Tuesday March 9, 2021 from 6:30 to 8:00pm: click here
- Black Lives Matter at School: Early Childhood Edition March 17, 2021 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm: click here

Resources for Information on Covid-19

- What Covid-19 Has Done to Our Well-Being: click here
- Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) Updates for Canada: click here
- Provincial and territorial resources for COVID-19: click here
- Public Health Ontario: click here
- Latest COVID-19 Updates for Ontario: click here
- Niagara Region COVID-19 Statistics: click here
- College of Early Childhood Educators COVID-19 Updates: click here
- Ontario Providing Additional Financial Support for Young Learners: click here
- Roots of Empathy Covid-19 Resources: click here
- Connect Families to COVID-19 Benefits and Relief: click here





Health and Wellness

- 5 Best Kids Yoga Videos on Youtube: click here
- Kid's Healthy Eating Plate: click here
- Brain fog is a real thing: click here
- Anchoring Ourselves in Compassion One Breath At A Time: Guided Meditation for 2021: click here
- What Form of Love Do You Want To Be in 2021? click here
- Loving-Kindness and Self-Compassion for the New Year: click here
- Affectionate Breathing: click here
- What is possible when we surrender? click here
- Taking the Self Out of Self-Righteousness: click here
- Cocoa Club on Zoom: click here
- Do You Know Burnout When You See It? click here
- Tuesday Tip | Self-Love: click here

Online Podcasts and Videos & Early Learning Websites

- Dealing With Challenging Toddler Behavior in the Classroom: click here
- Heart Science Experiments To Inspire A Love Of Learning: click here
- A curated compilation of tunes to inspire self-compassion, joy, and strength: click here
- Turnaround Arts Playing for Change: click here
- 20 Year Dream: click here
- 5 Universal Practices to Support Young Children's Positive Behaviour: click here
- Dual-Language Family Engagement Tips: click here
- Making New Words "Stick": click here
- Building Abstract Vocabulary with How Do You Feel? click here
- Creating Conversation with Good Night, Gorilla [Book Nook]: click here
- Dealing With Challenging Toddler Behavior in the Classroom: click here





Small Business Resources and Remote Office Environments

- The Small Nonprofit Podcast: Conflict Management with Claudia Aronowitz: click here
- Get Real: 3 shifts to help your nonprofit stand out in 2021: click here
- Interview Coaching: How to ace a job interview in 2021: click here
- The Philanthropist interview: Dahabo Ahmed Omer: click here
- How to Build Trust and Connection Online: click here
- Canada-Ontario Job Grant: click here
- Digital Presence Grant: click here
- Financial Supports Available to Small Businesses: click here
- How Canadians can get a \$400 tax credit no questions asked for working from home during COVID-19: click
 here
- The federal government subsidy (CERS) designed to assist with commercial rent or property expenses has been reconfigured. For more info: click here
- The Canada United Small Business Relief Fund has been extended: click here to apply

Outdoor Activities & Resources

- Supporting Teachers in Nature-Based Programs Wednesday March 10, 2021 from 2:00 to 3:30pm: click here
- Family Day Fun Survival of the Slowest at the Butterfly Conservatory: click here
- Royal Botanical Garden's Virtual March Break Camp: click here
- INSIDE OUT: Bringing the indoor classroom outdoors: click here

Want to Know More about ECCDC Services?

- Check us out online at www.eccdc.org or in person at 3550 Schmon Parkway, Thorold.
- We offer a resource lending library of pedagogical materials, specialized workroom, an on-site conference room and a boardroom available for booking.
- Want to purchase items from a distance? We offer an online EStore of items including Personal Protective Equipment: click here
- We support early learning programs with organizational supports including indoor and outdoor environmental design services, team building, board development, curriculum planning and everything in between!
- We offer professional learning opportunities in person and via webinar on a range of topics. We can
 customize and deliver to small or large groups, and we always have sessions advertised for anyone to join.
 Click here to see what we have scheduled or register for one of our sessions.





Uplifting Stories of the Week

- See How a Teacher Broke the World Record for Largest Single Drawing Made By One Person: click here
- Do you have any uplifting stories you would like to share? Click here to email the Early Childhood Community Development Centre and it may be included in a future edition of The Couch Exchange.