



## Social Media – Storytelling in the Early Years

Social media can be an integral part of making learning visible and supports the four foundations of *How Does Learning Happen? Ontario's Pedagogy for the Early Years*. This interactive presentation will explain how to use social media platforms and networks: LinkedIn, Word Press, Twitter, Instagram and Facebook. Discover how social media can be used as a tool in building, sustaining and growing relationships with families, colleagues and the broader community. Explore its influence to attract and retain employees and create an overall positive work culture.

**Thursday June 7, 2018** from 6:30 to 9:00 pm or **Friday June 8, 2018** from 9:00 to 11:30 am • \$45 includes refreshment break

## Exploring Our Image of the Parent in Early Learning and Child Care Programs

This newly designed session is being offered by Debbi Sluys, Director of the Growing Together Family Resource Centre and Personal Development and Empowerment Coach. Participants will explore five areas to understand their image of the parent, including:

- What an educator's responsibility is to parents
- Ways to build positive relationships with parents
- Digging out barriers to effective communication
- Discovery of a parent's perspective
- Find the educators' marvel at the image of the child

Participants will leave feeling confident in their role as educators and will be further prepared to deepen their relationships with families.

**Friday June 8, 2018** • 1:00 to 4:00 pm • \$45 includes refreshment break

Both sessions will take place at the ECCDC Conference Room, 3340 Schmon Parkway, Thorold. **To register**, contact 905.646.7311 ext. 304, email [eccdc@eccdc.org](mailto:eccdc@eccdc.org) or visit [www.eccdc.org](http://www.eccdc.org).



### About Debbi Sluys, RECE

Debbi is the Director of Growing Together Family Resource centre which has four locations with 70 employees and 425 children enrolled. She has been in the child care field for 30 years of learning, leading and sharing. Debbie was part of the Ontario government's pilot project with ELECT – Early Learning for Every Child Today, and was the lead in the Chatham Kent community to promote an emergent approach. She is a mother of four (three adults and one teenager). Her newly launched private venture is as a Personal Development and

Empowerment coach using Vision Boards and social media as platforms to promote personal growth. Visit [www.dare2declare](http://www.dare2declare) for more information.