



Adventures in Risky Play: *What is Your Yes?*

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Join Internationally renowned Playscape Designer and Author Rusty Keeler

Go to the heart of risk-taking and children. As parents and educators working with young children, we all have boundaries and feelings around what risky play should be allowed. Examine the cage of boundaries that we have created for ourselves and our children. Challenge each other to rattle our cage and discover where the lines are movable. In our role as educators and caretakers, when we allow children to play and confront risk on their own terms, we see them develop, hold their locus of control, and make choices on how to navigate the bumpy terrain of a situation. What better teaching tool for life is there?

Free Webinar to Be Offered this Winter!

All registrants will be invited to attend a free webinar with Rusty during the winter months in anticipation of his Spring Visit to Niagara (date to be announced). Additionally, Rusty's book *Adventures in Risky Play* will be available for purchasing and an online 4-part Book Study beginning prior to Rusty's appearance in Niagara and continuing after the workshop will be offered through the ECCDC Training Team for ongoing dialogue and discussion.

Spaces are limited, register early!

Saturday May 14, 2022 • 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Presented *In Person In Niagara* at the ECCDC Conference Centre, 3550 Schmon Parkway, Thorold

Niagara Educators: \$55 • Outside Niagara Educators: \$75 • Both options include the full day workshop and an individualized boxed lunch

Copies of *Adventures in Risky Play* will be available to purchase at the workshop. If you wish to receive a copy prior to the session please reach out to the ECCDC Resource Lending Library at eccdc@eccdc.org

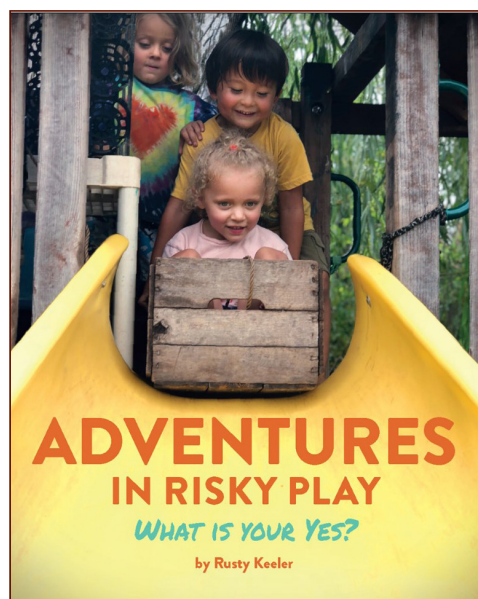


About Rusty Keeler

For the past 20 years, Rusty Keeler has worked with hundreds of community, school, park, university, and child care leaders to dream, design, and construct beautiful outdoor environments for schools and centres throughout the world. Keeler is a frequent keynote speaker and a pioneer in the movement to reconnect children to nature.

Join ECCDC Staff for an exciting new virtual book study on Rusty Keeler's Latest Book, *Adventures in Risky Play: What is Your Yes?*

Through his book, Rusty Keeler invites us to examine the cage of boundaries that we have created for ourselves and our children. He challenges us to rattle our cage and discover where the lines are movable. In our role as educators and caretakers, when we allow children to play and confront risk on their own terms, we see them develop, hold their locus of control and make choices on how to navigate the bumpy terrain of a situation. This book contains many inspiring photos, anecdotes and information that are sure to motivate you to consider "what is your yes?!" Through this book study, we will engage in discussion and reflection on each section of the book, as we share thoughts and ideas surrounding risk and play that challenges.



This book study will be broken down into four sessions:

Session 1: Play Manifesto

Monday March 24, 2022

Session 2: Ways to Support Risky Play

Monday April 25, 2022

Session 3: Provocatives

Monday May 30, 2022

Session 4: Program Tour & Extra Stuff

Monday June 27, 2022

Presented Via Webinar • 6:30 to 8:00 pm - all sessions

Niagara Educators & Administrators: No charge - book not included (sponsored through funding provided by Niagara Region Children's Services)

Outside Niagara Educators & Administrators: \$25 for the full book study (book not included)

If you wish to purchase a copy of the book through the ECCDC please email eccdc@eccdc.org