

*The Greater Detroit Cooperative Preschool Teachers' Association invites
you to join us at our*



Spring Conference

Thursday, March 7, 2024

VisTaTech Conference Center, Room W-210-B

Schoolcraft College

18600 Haggerty Road

Livonia, MI 48152

<http://vistatech.schoolcraft.edu>

Park in the NORTH LOT

8:45 - 9:15 **Registration**

9:15 - 9:45 **General Business Meeting**

10:00 - 12:00 **Numbers! Numbers! Numbers!** *presented by Tracy Donohue, Ph.D., Assistant Professor,
Central Michigan University*

This workshop focuses on how early number sense is the key building block for later mathematical understanding. Participants will experience a variety of number routines and will develop ideas for how to incorporate them in their preschool classrooms.

12:00 - 1:00 **Chef's Choice Buffet**

Chalk Talk

1:00 - 2:30 **Relationships, Rhythm, and Risk** *presented by Liz Powers, Head Teacher – Evergreen
Classroom, University of Michigan's Towsley Children's House*

Join me for a journey through a year of challenging behaviors in our classroom and how we persevered to have a positive, joyful experience for everyone. We will discuss and define what challenging behaviors are, how to respond to them in the moment, and how to ultimately develop children's self-regulation. We will learn how to intentionally support children with relationship building, risk taking, and a consistent routine. We will learn what appropriate and beneficial risk-taking looks like for each child, identify gross motor and social emotional risks, and discuss how to support the children taking risks in the classroom. We will discuss and problem solve the challenging behaviors you are experiencing or observing in your environment, so you have specific strategies to use immediately upon returning to your classroom.

**Attendance at workshop constitutes 5.0 hours towards compliance
with the State of Michigan's Department of Human Services Licensing Standards.**