

*Kindergarten
Saturday Workshop
with Becky Leber and Nellie Edge*



Joyful Learning in a Child's Garden: *Celebrating Language and Developing Literacy*

Presented by Becky Leber and Nellie Edge

- Make Friends with Mother Goose:
Enhance Literacy Within a Love of
Language
- Learn How to Organize
Kindergarten Literacy
Work Centers
- Create a Beautiful
Environment for Learning
- Engage Parents as Partners:
Multiply Your Teaching
Effectiveness
- Honor Children's Need for
Socio-Dramatic Play and Have
High Literacy Standards



Registration Form

Create Celebrations of Language Saturday Workshop

November 17, 2007 - Milwaukie, OR

This inspiring workshop is limited
to 22 participants.

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\$129 Registration Fee

Includes comprehensive handbook and refreshments. You are on your own for lunch.

Saturday workshops often fill up quickly. Register early so you won't be disappointed. Pre-registration is required. A confirmation letter will be mailed.

Risk Free Registration

100% of your paid registration fee will be refunded if you are unable to attend and you notify us at *least one week prior* to the seminar. Late cancellations will be refunded less a \$25.00 service fee. Substitution may be made at any time.

Program Hours

Registration: 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Seminar Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Lunch Break: Noon - 1:15 p.m.

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Becky Leber's Kindergarten

Seth Lewelling Elementary School
5325 SE Logus Rd, Milwaukie, OR

(Maps will be mailed with confirmation packets.)

University Semester Credit Option

Semester units of up to three post-baccalaureate professional development credits available through the University of the Pacific (CA). Additional \$62 per credit fee required, payable at the seminar. Details for direct enrollment, with University of the Pacific (CA) at the seminar. Follow-up practicum projects require 15 hours per credit. Acceptable where local school districts approve and applicable to state licensure where such activities are approved. For other credit questions please call Dr. Allan Lifson at 1-800-479-1995.

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Excellence in Kindergarten and Early Literacy

Joyful Learning in a Child's Garden

Nellie Edge and Becky Leber

Uniquely Qualified Presenters:

Becky Leber is a gifted mentor kindergarten teacher with a deep love of language and a heart that honors childhood. She is a veteran teacher-researcher and a recipient the *Nellie Edge Excellence in Kindergarten Literacy award*. Becky is constantly learning and asking herself: "How can I embrace higher literacy standards and still keep kindergarten a child's garden?" For several years Becky has piloted a full-day kindergarten model as an action-research project. Her goal was to explore the optimum learning environment for all-day, Title I kindergarten. **Becky's room is filled with poetry and rhyme, music and literature, drama and children's art.** Becky's teaching celebrates the imagination as she playfully engages young learners in meaningful studies and project learning that motivate them to actively apply their developing reading and writing skills. **Her research continues to document the high literacy gains achieved when children are active constructors of meaning.** Becky also shares unique insights into creating a joyful learning community where all children become friends and helpers. Becky Leber is one of those wise teachers whose voice we need to hear – her teaching strategies and kindergarten stories bring smiles.

Nellie Edge is a nationally recognized kindergarten trainer, early literacy coach, author, storyteller, and musician. She is a recipient of the *IRA Reading Excellence Through the Arts award* and the founder of the Northwest Coalition for Excellence in Kindergarten and Early Literacy.

How do we raise the literacy standards and still keep kindergarten a "child's garden?" How do we honor the need for socio-dramatic play – and the need for rigorous literacy skills instruction with "at-risk" and ESL children in an all-day kindergarten? Becky Leber's balanced and engaging approach to literacy reflects her deep, deep knowledge of children, her love of language, and her understanding of how to support kinders with a meaning-centered, systematic approach to literacy. With great wisdom, patience, and delight, Becky works with the children who need her most.

This joyful and practical day in Becky's kindergarten includes:

- **"Make Friends with Mother Goose" and teach skills within a love of language.**

Becky Leber and Nellie Edge will both share their passion for Mother Goose rhymes and how they enliven the literacy curriculum in practical and creative ways. Learn how to systematically connect oral language to print.

- **Use powerful ABC and phonics immersion strategies.**

- **Create a beautiful kindergarten environment.**

Becky's study of the Reggio Emilia model is evident in her great attention to aesthetic details.

- **Learn how to set up favorite kindergarten literacy work centers.**

Discover how to manage them and how to teach children to be responsible and to work cooperatively.

- **Develop phonemic awareness and phonics skills.**

Explore the place for direct instruction within the context of memorable songs and rhymes.

- **Learn new ways to creatively organize space**

to accommodate socio-dramatic play centers and literacy centers.

- **Engage parents as partners and multiply your teaching effectiveness.**

Begin when new kinders pre-register for school. Learn communication strategies that keep parents involved in the heart of kindergarten throughout the year.

- **Establish memorable learning rituals, traditions and celebrations that build community and celebrate the imagination.**

"Once you get the community right, the levels of learning soar."

– Ralph Peterson

- **Provide opportunities for children to memorize, recite and perform language.**

Children need to turn print into sound and turn the pleasures of sound over to an appreciative audience. Learn how to make that happen in kindergarten.

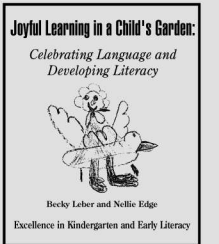
It is the educational arts that breathe life and personal meaning into the curriculum.

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Special Benefits of this Workshop:

- **You will receive a beautiful comprehensive handbook** with full-color photos of life in Becky Leber's kindergarten and detailed information about setting up literacy centers, creating the learning environment, involving parents as partners, providing multisensory ABC and phonics immersion and using meaningful projects to engage young learners. The book includes excerpts from Nellie Edge's manuscript, *Make Friends with Mother Goose: Enhancing Literacy Within a Love of Language*.



- **A limited number of partial scholarships** are available for Oregon New Kindergarten Teacher Cadre members on a first-come, first-served basis. Class is limited to 22 participants.

Children's art and photo displays will be featured at this workshop. Bring your camera.

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