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## Summer Kindergarten Academy

June 8-10 Sponsored by: North MS Education Consortium Graduate Center for the Study of Early Learning Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Early Childhood

The goals of the Academy are to convene kindergarten teachers and administrators:

- 1. To examine the impact of the life adjustments kindergarten teachers and students have made during the 2020-2021 school year due to the COVID quarantine.
- 2. To identify the challenges and solutions to the beginning of school on the social emotional status of children and teachers
- 3. To review selected pre-kindergarten learning standards in the areas of math, science, and social studies for the purpose of developing activities that can be implemented during the first few weeks of school
- 4. To discuss a variety of ways art and music can be integrated into the teaching of science and social studies learning standards

Schedule
Welcome
COVID and Me - Cathy Grace, GCSEL Co-Director
Lunch
Addressing Challenges and Solutions: The First 6 Weeks of School Cathy Grace, GCSEL Co-Director
Reviewing Pre-K Learning Standards in Math and Activities: The First
Month of School – Kathy Wall and Marisa Prewitt- MDE Division of Early Childhood
Lunch
Transitioning Math Learning to the Kindergarten Learning Standard
Milestones – Gena Puckett/Connie Clay, GCSEL Education and Training Specialists
Integrating Science, Social Studies and the Arts Activities that Address
the K and Pre-K Learning Standards into the First Six Weeks of School -
Cathy Grace, GCSEL Co-Director and
Merry Pennell and Vonda Pittman- MDE Division of Early Childhood
Lunch Addressing Kindergarten Program Guidelines through the 2021-2022
Realities – Joyce Greer, MDE, Early Childhood Instructional Specialist
Self Care-What is That? – Steve Gross, Chief Playmaker of Life is Good Playmakers

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Professional development hours awarded and 1.8 CEUs provided at the expense of the individual.

\*\*\*Access codes will be provided daily that must be put on the CEU application for the application to be accepted and processed.