



TALKING TO KIDS ABOUT RACE

early childhood

Workshop Overview

Children begin the development of racial attitudes at a very young age. Research shows that babies begin to sort out differences in skin color at as early as six months old. Talking to Kids About Race empowers parents, childcare providers, and educators of young children with an understanding of racial attitudes in early childhood development and provides tools for creating change through research-based comprehensive workshops.

Talking to Kids About Race I: Internalized- Developing Healthy Identities

The workshop explores how positive and negative messages around race affect children's identities. Participants are provided with an activity booklet to engage in conversations about race in order to promote the development of positive racial identities.

Talking to Kids About Race II: Interpersonal- Creating Cultural Inclusion

The workshop explores how children begin to create in-groups and out-groups and how these groups impact interactions. Participants are given tools and strategies to promote inclusion and create a mutual sense of belonging.

Sample Participant Feedback

"Before this workshop, I didn't know if we should use the colorblind approach or openly talk about our differences. **Now I am equipped with ideas and tools** on how to approach kids."

"**The tools alone are astoundingly helpful**, but the information and materials provided makes an **amazing complete package.**"

"The workshop was beneficial in **providing me ideas on how to handle situations** that I felt uncomfortable discussing before."

"This experience has made me **rethink how to talk to children** when an issue may arise."

Outcomes

17,000 children have been impacted by 881 childcare providers, parents and educators from over 56 schools, child care centers, and in-home locations who completed a Talking to Kids About Race workshop.

98% of workshop participants felt prepared to talk to kids about race after participating in the workshop in contrast to 62% before workshop participation.

Client List

Schools, Child Care Centers, and In-Home Locations:

Muskegon Heights Early Childhood Center, Helping Hands Learning Center, Martin Luther King Jr. Early Childhood Center, MLK Headstart, Holland Christian Preschool, Little Adventures Daycare, Zeeland Christian Center, Aquinas College, Res Life Newaygo Club 56, Grand Rapids Early Discovery Center, William C. Abney Academy, Kids Time, House of Children, Lakeview School District, Little Rainbows, Shamrock Center, Learning Zone Preschool, Take A Break Childcare Center, Forever Friends Childcare, S.N.A.P. Preschool, Tiffanie's Child Care, Albion Public Schools, Woodlawn Preschool, Battle Creek Christian Daycare, Little Rascals DayCare, Indiana Head Start, St. Patrick Preschool, Lake Ridge Head Start, Geminus Head Start, South Haven Head Start, Evans Head Start, Early Head Start Indiana, Hobart Early Head Start, St. Marks Preschool, Temple Preschool, Holy Name Preschool, Kristen's Kiddy Kare, Corpus Christi Preschool, St. Francis deSales Preschool, Zeeland Public Preschool, Zeeland Christian Preschool, YMCA - West Ottawa, Helping Hands Christian Learning Center, Salvation Army Beginning Child Care, Family Growth Center, Pam's Academy of Champions, Pam's Preschool Program, Shabazz Academy, Small Folks Development Center, Early Learning Child care, Cottonwood Christian Learning Center, Kentwood Public Schools, A Child's Place Home Daycare, Hesperia Building Bridges, Angie's Day Care, Packer Pride, CMH Mental Health, Kids World Learning Center, Little Monkeys Childcare, Belleville Day Care, St. Louis GSRP, Joyful Noise, Coopersville West Early Childhood Center, St. Johns Preschool, Kids Kourt, West Michigan Academy of the Arts, Rugrat Palace Daycare, Daycare by Brooke, Pere Marquette Early Child, Kampus Kids Childcare, North Godwin Elementary School, Cedar Springs Public School, Pullman Elementary, Catholic Charities, Daybreak Church, Explore and Grow, Learn & Grow, ECC, 4J's Day Care, Cozy Bear Childcare, Baby, Little Steps at SECOM, Baxter CDC, Steepletown Preschool, United Methodist Community House, Mona Shores -Lincoln Park, La Escuelita, Dar's Daycare, Living Stones Academy, Woolly Lambs Preschool Day Care, Churchill Latchkey, ELNC West, Freedom Early Learn Center, Eastminster Preschool, Everyday Wonders, Milestones, Room to Bloom, Spartan Stores YMCA, Spectrum Health/Bright Horizons, Whistle Stop, Academy Child Care, Aldersgate Centers for Child Development, Alphabet Soup Daycare, Baby Scholars, Backpack Buddies, Baldwin Preschool, Caring Hands Daycare, Careerline Tech Center Head Start, Carson City Children's Center, Children's Corner, Christian Lutheran Preschool, Creative Child Preschool, David D. Hunting YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids, Debbie's Daycare, Diman-Wolf Early Childhood Center, First Presbyterian Preschool, Fremont Christian Preschool, Generations Child Development Center, Grace Church Preschool, Grand Rapids Community College Lab Preschool, Hill Child Development Center, Maplewood Early Childhood Center, Imagination Station, Kelly Street Kids Daycare, Kent City Preschool, Kiddie Spot Daycare, Kids R Kids, KK's Daycare, Lakeshore Little People's Place, Lakeview Community Schools, Lakeview Preschool, Learning Tree Montessori, Little Tyke's Daycare, Ludington Area Catholic, Newaygo County Day Care Corporation, North Park Christian Preschool, Orchard Hill Preschool, Ottawa Area Center School Special Needs, Park Township Tot Time, Pentwater Preschool, Phylinda Place, Play and Learn Early Learning Communities, Reading Rainbow, Shelby Early Childhood Center, Spectrum Health Child Development Center, St. Edward's Preschool, St. John's Lutheran Church, West Shore Lutheran, White Cloud Child Development Center, White Early Childhood Center, Zeeland Public Schools Childcare

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