



Sault College News Release

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College of Early Childhood Educators Presents Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice at Sault College

(Sault Ste. Marie, ON March 25, 2011) On Wednesday March 30th at 7:00p.m. in the Multi-Media Centre at Sault College, Early Childhood Education students will be hosting an information session for members of The College of Early Childhood Educators (CECE) who will be discussing the professional and ethical standards to which members of CECE are held accountable.

The College of Early Childhood Educators (CECE) is the professional self-regulatory organization for early childhood educators in Ontario. CECE was formed to protect the public interest and focuses on quality and standards in the practice of early childhood education. The practice of early childhood education is regulated by CECE in accordance with the *Early Childhood Educators Act, 2007* (the Act), and the regulations and by-laws made under the Act.

CECE's *Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice* highlights the professional knowledge, expertise, ethical values and responsibilities of the profession of early childhood education. These standards provide guidance to members in understanding CECE's expectations for professional practice. They are also the basis on which CECE assesses the professional practice of members and are used to determine and adjudicate issues of professional misconduct.

"The Early Childhood Education Program at Sault College has given me many opportunities to learn and grow both personally and professionally," states Chrissy McLeod, second year Early

Childhood Education Student and member of the organizing team for this event. “The opportunity to meet with professionals in the field allows us to network as well as ask any questions that we may have prior to going out into the workforce. Learning more about this document is an important piece in becoming a member of CECE and a registered Early Childhood Educator.”

Graduates of Sault College’s Early Childhood Education program are eligible to register with the College of Early Childhood Educators and become part of a registered profession and use the title of Registered Early Childhood Educator. This presentation is open to the public and free parking is available in the A-Lot parking lot located across the street from Sault College.

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About the Early Childhood Education Program at Sault College

The need for trained professionals in the field of Early Childhood Education has increased substantially with the implementation of the Full Day Early Learning – Kindergarten program across the province in which an Early Childhood Educator is to work with a teacher in each classroom. The Early Childhood Education Program at Sault College is designed to prepare students for a position in the Early Childhood Education/Early Years field. Students will have the knowledge and practical skills needed to plan and implement developmentally appropriate programs for children birth through 12 years of age. Students will also be skilled in working with families and providing family educational programming. Sault College, located in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario is one of 24 community colleges in Ontario. Visit our website at www.saultcollege.ca for more information.

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