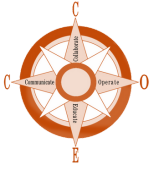


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On September 6, Children's Services staff and students celebrated "Beach Day" with nutritious beach-inspired snacks, sensory play, activities, and crafts.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Click underlined dates for more information

**October 2**

"Math Network Hour" Training

**October 2 & 26**

Paraeducator Assessments

**October 14**

"Fostering a Collective Wellbeing" Training

**October 25**

"Behavior Skills Lab" Training

**October 28**

McKinney-Vento Training

### CONTACT CCOE

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345 5th Street  
Colusa, CA 95932  
(530) 458-0350

Education Village  
499 Margurite Street  
Williams, CA 95987  
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## FREE BOOKS AT THE ARBUCKLE CAR SHOW

Join the Colusa County Office of Education at the Arbuckle Car Show on Sunday, October 29 to pick up some free bilingual books for your child, provided by CCOE "And Literacy For All." Our Human Resources Department will also be on hand should you have questions about employment opportunities! To view current job openings, visit the [EdJoin website](#). Registration for the Arbuckle Car Show Halloween Parade starts at 10:30am. We hope to see you there for what should be a day of fun!



## COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The Community Advisory Committee (CAC) acts in an advisory capacity to the Colusa County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA). Colusa County parents, educators, and interested community members are all welcome to join. Being a member of the CAC offers the opportunity to be involved and assist in developing, planning, and implementing activities that provide greater success for students with exceptional needs and their parents.

As a representative of the CAC, members have a voice in the special education program, learn more about the special education process, network with other parents and professionals, build on personal advocacy, and have opportunities to suggest their own ideas for parent workshops. The next CAC workshop is on November 8 from 5:00 - 6:00pm at the Education Village located at 499 Margurite Street in Williams. For questions or more information, contact Program Specialist Tiffani Fusaro at (530) 473-1350.

## FAMILY ACTION CENTERS HOST DEARTH OF PROGRAMS

First 5's Williams and Arbuckle Family Action Centers (FAC's)  provide free, monthly programming for children and adults alike!

### **Growing Start, 9:00-10:30am**

#### **Mondays & Wednesdays**

Weekly playgroups at both FAC's for families with children 6 weeks through age 5. \*Pre-registration is required.

### **Play Connect, 9:00-10:00am**

#### **October 6, Williams FAC**

A playgroup for families with children 0-3 with special needs.

### **Play Connect, 9:00-10:00am**

#### **October 13, Arbuckle FAC**

A playgroup for families with children 0-3 with special needs.

### **Making Parenting a Pleasure**

#### **October 18, 9:00-11:00am**

A program at both FAC's that promotes family resiliency by bringing parents together to learn, share, and develop a support network.

### **Bumps & Beyond Coffee Talks**

#### **October 20, 10:30-11:30am, Arbuckle FAC**

A parent support group for new and expectant parents.

### **Bumps & Beyond Coffee Talks**

#### **October 27, 10:30-11:30am, Williams FAC**

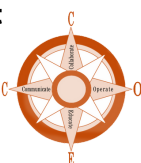
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**ARBUCKLE FAC  
812 KING STREET  
(530) 476-0822**

**WILLIAMS FAC  
499 MARGURITE ST  
(530) 473-0212**



**Williams FAC Coordinator Betty Huson at September 27's Growing Start Program.**



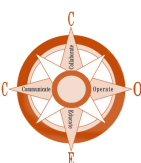
## FIRE ACADEMY NOW ENROLLING

The Colusa County Adult School's Fire Academy is now accepting applications through October 20. Formerly called "Wildland Fire Academy," participants in this program will complete 370 hours of Firefighter 1 standards, receive fire service certifications, and become eligible to apply to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFIRE). A career in fire protection offers the opportunity to perform challenging and exciting work while protecting residents, resources, and property. Classes begin January 5, 2024, and enrollment is open to adults and high school seniors (18 years of age by June 1, 2024). Visit the [Colusa County Adult School Website](#) for an application or stop by the Education Village at 499 Margurite Street in Williams from 8:00am-4:00pm, Monday through Friday. For more information, call 473-1350.



**We are hiring!**

**Full-Time, Part-Time & Substitute Employment Opportunities. Contact Human Resources at (530) 458-0350 or scan the QR code to see current job openings!**

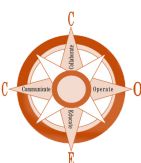


## GARDENING - A LABOR OF LOVE

Sharing gardening with children is an ongoing labor of love for staff at Children's Services' infant, toddler, and preschool classrooms. Education Division Manager Donyale Miller said on the subject, "Gardening is an excellent way to learn a variety of concepts, such as language, physical development, social-emotional skills, math, and science, while getting some hands-on sensory experience."



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our programs



## FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS IN FULL EFFECT

First 5 Colusa's Family Action Centers located in Arbuckle and Williams offer monthly drive-thru food distributions at their sites to Colusa County families in need. In addition, a distribution in Grimes is conducted by Arbuckle Family Action Center staff. Food provided is first come, first served, and items include fresh produce, proteins, and non-perishables. If you are in need, but are unable to pick up the food yourself, contact the Centers to complete a form allowing another to receive the food for you. Additionally, each Family Action Center has a non-perishable food closet, stocked with foods for those aged birth to 5 and beyond.

The Williams Family Action Center (WFAC) is located at the CCOE Education Village at 499 Margurite Street, and can be contacted at (530) 473-0212. The Arbuckle Family Action Center (AFAC) is located at 812 King Street, and can be contacted at (530) 476-0822. Food distributions at both sites will occur on October 26 at 10:00am. The food distribution in Grimes will occur on October 27 at 10:00am at 140 4th Street.

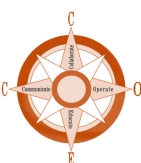
Drive-thru food distributions specifically for those aged 60+ also occur monthly at the Centers, and pre-registration is required. These are slated for October 10 at 11:00am in Arbuckle and Williams. Contact the Centers for questions or more information.



Staff at the Williams Family Action Center distribute food to families on September 28, with the assistance of CCOE's Food Services team.

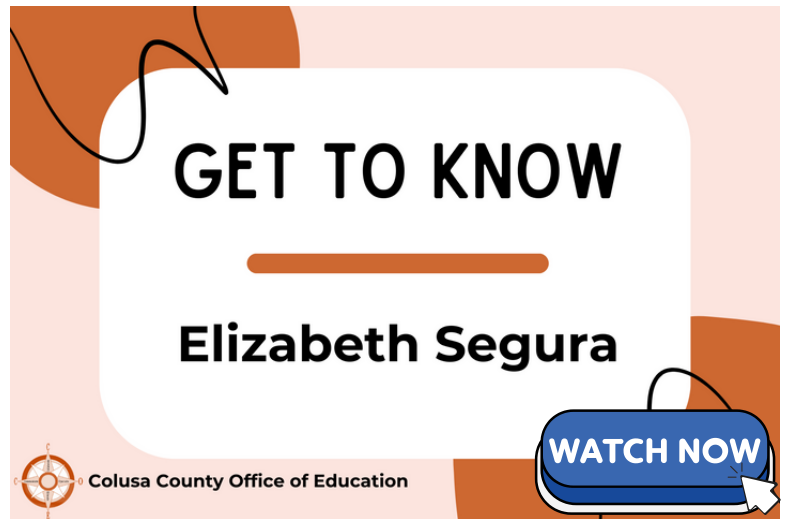
## EARLY LITERACY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM NOW ENROLLING

The "And Literacy For All" team is currently accepting registrants to Cohort 5 of its Early Literacy Certification Program. To achieve the Early Literacy Certification, community daycare providers, preschool teachers, and Colusa County residents who spend time with or work with children, are invited to attend two all-day trainings with Dr. Danielle Thomas, Ed.D. and "And Literacy For All" team members. In this program, participants will create and implement an Early Literacy Plan comprised of 6 components of literacy and 5 areas of reading. In addition, participants in this program will receive site visits, monthly check-ins, and attend virtual meetings. To enroll, contact Literacy Coordinator Stefani Santana at (530) 491-9405. Registration ends October 23 and the first training will occur on November 2.



## NEW "GET TO KNOW" VIDEO AVAILABLE TO VIEW

In July, CCOE began a new video series highlighting employees, and a new video has been uploaded to CCOE's YouTube page! Click the image to the right to watch the new video featuring Elizabeth Segura of the Business Services Department. You can also visit CCOE's YouTube channel [here](#).



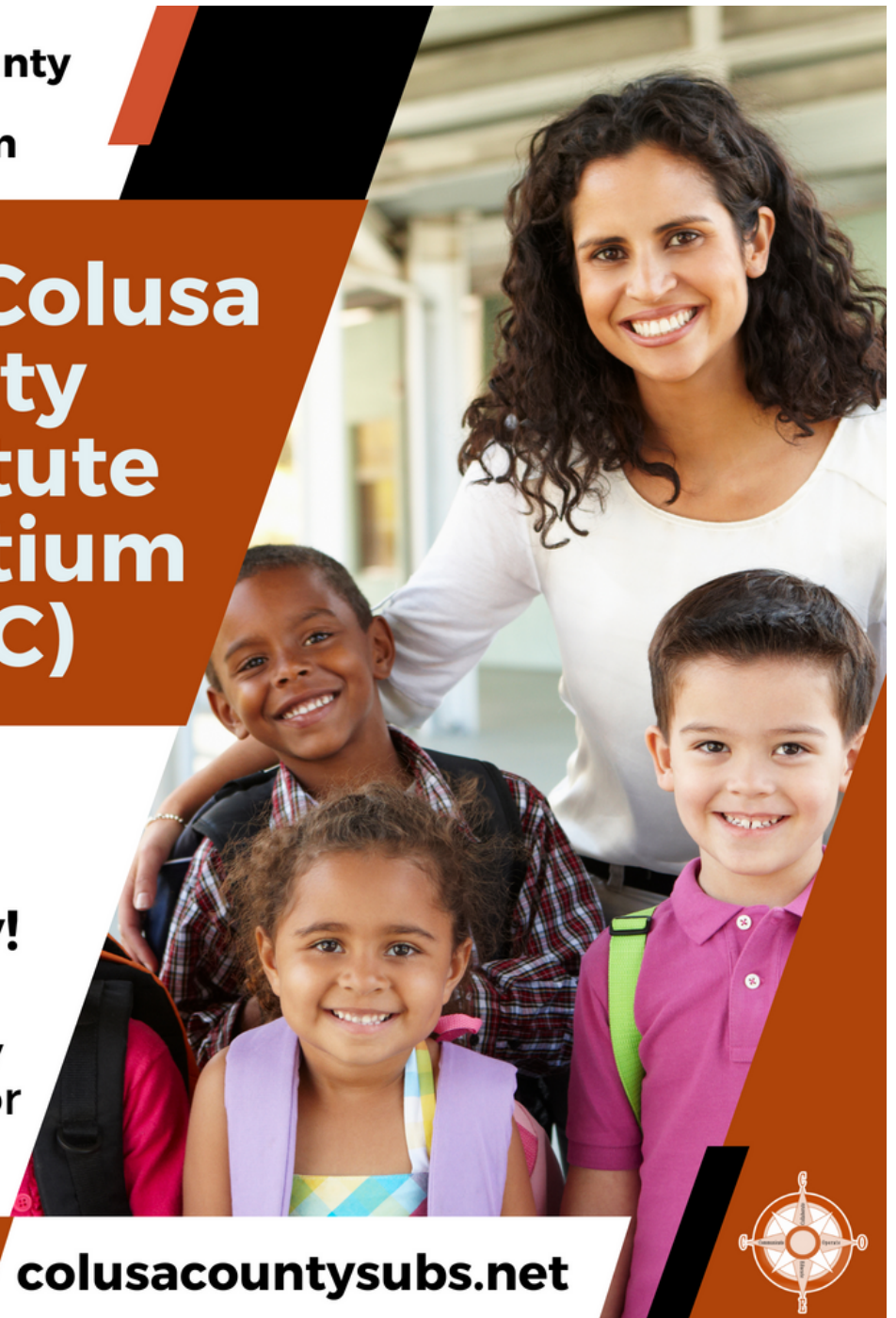
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**2023-2024**

# FOSTERING A COLLECTIVE WELLBEING

**AUDIENCE:**

General and special education teachers; paraprofessionals; administrators; counselors; mental health specialists; yard duties

**SESSION 1**  
OCTOBER 14, 2023

**The Neurological Effects of Stress & Trauma**

- How stress impacts brain function & its impacts on educators & students
- Differentiating between stress that is necessary for growth and stress that is damaging and toxic
- Building Resilience in the Face of Stress

**SESSION 2**  
FEBRUARY 3, 2024

**Co-regulation: The Key to Self-Regulation**

- Fostering teacher and student partnership to create a collaborative learning environment
- Building understanding on how teachers can impact student behavior
- Incorporating behavior strategies for teachers and paras

**SESSION 3**  
APRIL 20, 2024

**Mindfulness Retreat: Developing Self & Co-Care Strategies**

- Defining Mindfulness
- An in-depth look at the Mindfulness benefits on educators and students
- How practicing mindfulness promotes building social-emotional skills
- Providing specific classroom activities and practices for educators to implement in the classroom



Presented by: Rina Bañuelos, LCSW, PPSC, Trauma Specialist Certified in Brainspotting & Gemma Velazquez, LCSW, PPSC\*



**EDUCATION VILLAGE**

499 Margurite St  
Williams, CA 95987



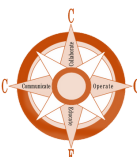
**09:00 AM**

**02:00 PM**

Refer to your administrator for details regarding compensation.

Lunch on your own.

**REGISTRATION**





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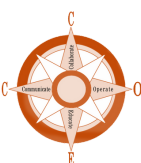
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attending one of our schools!

Are you a Children's Services  
employee? Let us know what's  
special about working here!



Send responses with your first  
name to (530) 531-7055  
or [amaas@ccoe.net](mailto:amaas@ccoe.net)







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# TRICK OR TREAT MEET & GREET



Bright Vista invites you to Trick or Treat and Meet & Greet!  
Join us for an evening of *spooktacular* games, prizes, and treats.  
Don't miss the *fa-boo-lous* fun and the chance to meet our  
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Let's have a happy *howl-o-ween*!

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31ST**

304 5TH STREET, COLUSA, CA  
QUESTIONS? CALL 530-458-0755  
FANG-TASTIC FUN FROM 4:00PM - 6:00PM



This event is open to the public and youth of all ages are welcome! Costumes encouraged!

