



COLORADO
Department of Education

The Power of Kindergarten

This professional development opportunity is being provided by CDE's Office of Early Learning and School Readiness through Colorado's Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge Fund. There will be no registration costs to districts for staff to attend the workshops. Funds will be available to support a portion of the district's expenses. More information will be available at the time of registration. Districts traveling 50 miles or more to Denver may request \$100.00 per teacher. Districts traveling 50 miles or less to Denver may request \$50.00 per teacher. This is a one-time reimbursement that must be submitted either at the spring workshop or summer workshop. Additional information about reimbursement to districts will be provided prior to the first workshop date.

WHO: Colorado Kindergarten Teachers and Administrators

WHAT: 2 Day Workshop presented by Sue Kempton; Colorado Educator, Author, Keynote Speaker and Consultant

Workshops will focus on using children's natural curiosity and various classroom tools to build schema across contents and provide experiences rich in oral language and vocabulary. Sue Kempton will share ideas for doing this in meaningful ways in everyday practices, such as through read alouds, morning messages and centers. Sue will share ideas and strategies for creating kindergarten environments that are anchored in developmentally appropriate practices. Kindergarten teachers and administrators will leave with inspiration for their own classrooms and schools.

WHEN: You will need to register for **both** a Day 1 and Day 2 session; as the second day is a continuation of day one. The registration link will be available on February 17th on the school readiness page <http://www.cde.state.co.us/schoolreadiness>

Day 1: Setting the Stage for Meaningful Kindergarten Experiences 8:00-4:00 <i>(Each session is limited to 75 participants)</i>	Day 2: Creating Intentional Environments for Kindergarteners to Thrive 8:00-4:00 <i>(Each session is limited to 75 participants)</i>
Saturday, March 11th	Tuesday, June 6th
Friday, April 14th	Wednesday, June 7th
Monday, May 1st	Thursday, June 8th <small>*Please note this was changed from June 29th</small>
Monday, May 8th	Wednesday, June 28th

WHERE: Red Rocks Community College
13300 6th Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80228

Confirmations with directions to Red Rocks Community College will be sent out one week prior to your workshop date.