



# WFCCA MINI CONFERENCE

## Schedule:

8:30am – 9am – Registration

9am – 11:30am – Session 1

11:30am – 12:30pm – Lunch

12:30pm – 3:00pm – Session 2

Wisconsin Family Child Care Association is pleased to present a one day mini-conference for all child care providers in the region and across Wisconsin! We are pleased to work with CCR&R to make this Mini Conference possible.

Saturday, November 15th | 8:30am–3:00pm



Child Care Resource & Referral  
1001 W. Kennedy Ave., Kimberly

**Register:** [WFCCA Mini Conference 2025 – Kimberly](#)

- **Session 1: Play Is More Than Just Fun — It Is The Foundation That Supports All Future Learning (2.5hrs CE)** by Mary Olson, Little Sneakers Family Day Care  
Join us for a deep dive into play—not just as something to do, but as the most essential part of every day in early childhood. In the first hour, we'll explore: What play really is, why it is vital for child development, how to confidently defend play as a pedagogy. The remainder of the session will focus on creating environments that *ignite and sustain* play. Together, we'll discover the concept of **hygge**—a philosophy of comfort, connection, and joy—and learn how to design spaces that act as the *third teacher* in your program. Leave inspired, equipped with strategies, and ready to elevate play as the powerful foundation of learning it truly is.

- **Lunch: Soup, Salad and Dessert (1hr CE)**

- **Session 2: Creating Outdoor Learning Experiences (2.5hrs CE - must attend session 1)** by Sarah Cohan, Sarah's Littles Adventures in Playschool

Throughout our time together, we will delve into various methods for establishing an outdoor environment, discover engaging learning activities, and identify ways to demonstrate our learning. By aligning our environment with WMEELS, we minimize the necessity for teacher-directed instruction and promote child-led learning. Participants will depart inspired to create their own outdoor environments, equipped with year-round activity ideas.

**Session 1 – \$30**  
(no lunch)

**Sessions 1 & 2 – \$50**  
(lunch included)

**20% off for members!**

**Not a member?  
Join today!**

