


EARLY CHILDHOOD & SCHOOL AGE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



 JULY 24-25, 2026

 OACOMA, SD

BE THE LEADER YOU WOULD FOLLOW

Choose from two specialized tracks designed to empower leaders with strategies, tools, and connections needed to build stronger teams and thriving programs.

FREE REGISTRATION

Registration Deadline July 10th

\$150 Travel Scholarships

***for those traveling over 50 miles*

***ONE scholarship per licensed program*



Block Room Reservation Available until June 23rd
Call Cedar Shore Resort (605) 234-6376

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

- ✓ Two days of engaging trainings
- ✓ Two specialized tracks for learning
- ✓ 10 hours of professional development
- ✓ Networking with other leaders
- ✓ Meals included

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- ✓ Discussion and collaboration with other leaders in childcare across South Dakota
- ✓ Tools, tips and takeaways to strengthen your leadership
- ✓ Rediscover your passion for leading in the early childhood field
- ✓ Grow as a leader, connect with others, and return ready to make an impact

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Jayne Zobel

Choreograph Your Resilience

Dive into how to move through challenges and pressures to grow, learn, and find joy in work and life.



TRACK 1

Melissa Pickle

Move From Burnout to Balanced

Uncover why burnout doesn't come "out of nowhere" and the challenges of maintaining resilience while serving others.



TRACK 2

Audra Fullerton

Building a Culture of Felt Safety to Support Caregivers and Learners

Explore felt safety and how it applies to our work with young children and adults alike.



POSTER SESSIONS

Join in a collaborative breakout session with current South Dakota childcare owners and directors. Relevant struggle, success and business topics will be discussed in a casual, conversational setting.

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