

New England Network of Nature-based Early Childhood Educators Tuesday, Sept. 25th, 2018 from 5:00-6:30 in room E102 at Antioch

Present: Ellen Doris, Liza Lowe, Eliza Murphy

Social Media:

Facebook page for the New England Network!

Instagram - hashtags, photo with tag about nature-based education (rules about pictures that are shared.)

→ # (forest kindergarten!!!) # (free play) # (lead us back to the website) #naturebasededucation

If a person hasn't had any other contact with Antioch they could use this Facebook page and/or google site as a way to connect and stay connected with the work that is happening.

→ help from folks to start other little chapters. Nourish other groups. You know you want to meet with the kindred spirits in your area. What is the site visit protocol. What are the discussion prompts for book discussion.

Working lunch at Inside Outside conference! (This could be a time to start another group in their area. Times and place can be listed on the website and Facebook page.....) Looking for a group in the area? List groups and contact info.

What's the news! - could go on the website!

Newsletter: book review corner, member spotlight,

Site visits: usually stands alone within courses and could be useful for NENNECE to hold. What are our guidelines (gracious hosts...)? This could be something we create and share with others. (What are the likely things that could come up? Assigned a chair? Need to check in at the office? No photos of children!)

Songs. Games. Stories. Books:

- Successful share
- Provide a physical takeaway
- Bring a recording device so we can create audio files
- Will create a resource page on the webpage

Site Visits:

If you're open to visitors from our network at your site, describe your program, describe the terms of a site visit, and suggest possible dates. How many observers? With or without children present? Name your terms and whoever wants to attend can RSVP.

Site Name and Description

Terms of a Site Visit

Possible Dates for a Visit

How many observers?

Would a site visit happen with or without children present?

RSVP:

2) Inside Outside conference (Symonds Elementary School, Keene, NH - Saturday, October 27th)

3) Tuesday, Nov. 27th 4:00-5:30

Grant Writing for Supplies

- Support one another with the grant writing process
- Various ways to approach this
- Particular grants that might serve our specific needs
- Successful stories
- Bring in Antioch grant writer or teacher who has already done this successfully

→ **Mission for the group** (will continue to refine this...)

~ Providing resources and support.

~ Connecting with our communities.

~ Inspiring one another.

~ Reconnecting with fundamentals.

~ Maintain openness.

→ **Topic list for future meetings:**

Licensing

Family Engagement

How do programs get kids geared up

Supportive Administrators

Discipline

→ **Round table check-in**