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## **EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF PASCO AND HERNANDO COUNTIES HOSTS 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL EARLY LEARNING CONFERENCE, OFFERS DOORPRIZES FOR WALT DISNEY WORLD, LEGOLAND, KEURIG, MORE**

*The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Learning Conference is a daylong event — open to the public — offering early education trainings from local and regional presenters, and access to exhibitors of early education materials.*

The Early Learning Coalition of Pasco and Hernando Counties, Inc. (PHELCO) will host its **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Learning Conference on November 12<sup>th</sup> at Bishop McLaughlin Catholic High School**, 13651 Hays Road, Spring Hill.

Child care providers, teachers, parents, care givers and all community members are invited to attend.

**For a \$25.00 entry fee, guests are entitled to:**

- Continental Breakfast
- Gourmet Lunch
- “Moving from Tired to INSPIRED” keynote presentation by internationally known author, Sue Baldwin
- Concert by Brooksville’s very own GRAMMY nominated musical comedy team, The Battersby Duo
- Three (3) breakout sessions of choice
- Access to more than thirty (30) local exhibitors, with both Early Learning and personal offers

**Every registered guest will be entered into a drawing for doorprizes, which include:**

- Pairs of park hopper passes to Walt Disney World in Orlando
- Pairs of one-day passes to LEGOLAND in Winter Haven
- One (1) Keurig Coffee Brewer & K-Cup Coffee
- Pair of one-day passes for admission to MOSI Exhibit Galleries and standard IMAX Dome Theatre film (excluding Sky Trail Ropes Courses and special engagements).
- Lakeshore Learning Toys

- Gift certificate to New Attitude Hair, Nail & Skin Salon for a color, cut and style
- Gift Certificate for a free oil change from Tires Plau in New Port Richey, SR 54
- Gift Certificate to Applebees in Spring Hill
- Gift card to Papa Joe's in Brooksville
- Gift certificates for dinner and beverage at Golden Corral in Brooksville
- Gift certificate for lunch and beverage to Mallie Kyla's in Brooksville
- Breakfast for two gift certificate to The Breakfast Club in Port Richey
- Gift certificates for a free oil change at In and Out Express in New Port Richey (3 available)
- Flower Arrangement from Slip's Florist in Holiday
- \$50 Gift Certificate to PinkCalyx.com
- \$25.00 Gift Box from Cabot Cheese (2 available)
- Pandora Bracelet donated by Kiefer's
- 4 in 1 Office Machine (Copier, fax, printer, scanner)
- Stamp it up Basket
- and many more!

The conference focuses on early childhood development, providing innovative practices from fields of:

- early education
- child care
- infant mental health
- family involvement
- business management
- social work

The conference is a 9-hour event, where both breakfast and lunch are provided by PHELC. Conference attendees participate in three (3) breakout sessions. Each session will offer approximately 15 smaller breakout sessions, held in campus classrooms. Past trainings included: "How to Have an Awesome Classroom on a Tight Budget"; "The Power of One: Making a Difference"; and "Physical Activities for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder", among others.

For a complete listing of presentations or to register for this event, visit [www.phelc.org/home](http://www.phelc.org/home).

To donate a doorprize for this event, contact Quality Supervisor Sharon Hayes at [s.hayes@phelc.org](mailto:s.hayes@phelc.org).

For more information, visit [www.phelc.org](http://www.phelc.org), or call (727) 233-8291. Visit us on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/phelc](http://www.Facebook.com/phelc).

The Early Learning Coalition of Pasco and Hernando Counties, Inc. is one of 31 Early Learning Coalitions in Florida. It works to ensure that programs and services are available to assist families with young children during their formative years. Florida's Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) program is for all children who are four-years old on or before September 1st. School Readiness provides assistance for low-to-moderate income working families by paying a portion of the childcare costs on a sliding fee

schedule. Starting as separate organizations in 2000, Pasco and Hernando counties joined forces to form the Early Learning Coalition of Pasco and Hernando Counties in 2005. The non-profit serves over nine thousand children between infancy and five years old, working with over 300 providers in the counties.

For more information about the ELC and its services, visit [www.phelc.org](http://www.phelc.org).

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