

Early Childhood Networking Nights

Education & Support for Parents & Providers

Positive Social Connections: A Lifeline for Parents

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019



Boyne Falls Public School

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5:45 p.m. - Dinner & Networking

6:15 p.m. - Speaker

7:15 p.m. - Q & A

- ★ Child care will be provided.
- ★ There is no charge for this event.
- ★ Space is limited. Registration is required.

Presenters:

Joelle Drader, MD, MA, LPC and Megan Cole, LMSW

Joelle Drader currently serves as a counselor at Blackbird and Shay Elementary Schools in Harbor Springs. She is passionate about assisting kids with social and emotional learning and helping parents to learn nurturing skills through education and support. She has training in both Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Trauma Informed Schools, and Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR).

Megan Cole is an Early Childhood School Social Worker with the Charlevoix Emmet Intermediate School District. She works closely with families, preschool staff and area agencies to support young children who have challenging behaviors. Megan is a Certified Trainer of the National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds Strengthening Families™ Protective Factors Framework.

Having positive Social Connections is one of the 5 Protective Factors that help build strong families. Research shows that a positive social network serves as a support system that makes it easier to care for yourself and children.

Join us to discuss the importance of positive social connections for parents and children, gain strategies to foster positive friendships, and learn about the impact positive relationships have for both parents and children.

Register online at www.greatstartforkids.com or call 231.582.8070



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