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## BMCC to host Early Childhood Education conference April 15-16

PENDLETON, Ore. – Blue Mountain Community College will host “Children Bring Communities Together: An Early Care and Education Conference” on April 15-16 for those who work in early childhood education or have an interest in early childhood development. The special event will feature a keynote presentation on the benefits and relevance of introducing children to yoga at a young age and the self-care opportunities for the adults who guide them, presented sisters Jamie Dix and Jessica McClintic, who are co-founders of Imagination Yoga.

Conference workshop sessions include topics such as motor development in infants and toddlers, early literacy skills, science explorations for young children, nutrition and physical activity in the child care setting, growing up with autism and more.

Conference registration is just \$45, and the early registration deadline is April 11. Registration can be taken on-site, though class selection is not guaranteed. To pre-register, please visit <http://umchs.com/wp-content/uploads/2016-Children-Bring-Communities-Together-Conference-Registration-Packet.pdf>. For more information, please contact BMCC Director of Early Childhood Education Dawn Kennison-Kerrigan at [dkerrigan@blueecc.edu](mailto:dkerrigan@blueecc.edu) or 541-278-5941.

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