



Name: Betty Sheehy

Position: Head Teacher, Luna Room

Degree:

- BA-Michigan State, Elementary Education major
- MA in Curriculum and Teaching-Michigan State University

About Me: I have been teaching in early childhood for 20 years. All of these have been at an accredited center. I've served in Infant, Toddler and Preschool programs, including 4 years as a Preschool Program Coordinator. I have 24 additional graduate credits in early childhood at U of M-Flint and hold a State of Michigan Teaching Certificate with endorsements in Language Arts, Social Studies and Early Childhood. My family includes my husband of 33 years and three grown children.

Professional Interests: I'm interested in current research and developments in Early Childhood Education. I enjoy attending workshops with information that translates directly to better practices in the classroom. I'd like to become proficient in Excel.

Presentations & Professional Accomplishments: I've presented Preschool Curriculum Workshops at MIAEYC in Grand Rapids, GFAEYC at Mott Community College and Baker College. I've also made Early Childhood Education Career presentations at several Flint high schools and taught Advanced Infant/Toddler Responsive care at Baker College. I have presented at many employee training sessions in safety, teacher-child interactions, curriculum development and parent communications.

Areas of Expertise:

- Reggio Curriculum Development
- Communication among staff and clients
- Teacher interactions with infants, toddlers and young children

Research Interests:

- Current trends in Infant Curriculum and Assessment
- Reggio Emilia Philosophy in Infant Education

Research Questions that guide my current work at the Early Childhood Development Center:

- What new information is available to share with parents and staff of infants and toddlers?
- What new assessment systems are available for Infant-Toddler programs?
- What new texture materials are available for safe use with infants and toddlers?