



Name: Kimberly Curry

Position: Head Teacher, Cascata B Room

Degrees:

- Associate in Arts, Mott Community College
- Bachelor of Science, Early Childhood Studies, Rochester College

About Me: I started at the Early Childhood Development Center in October 2005. Developing positive and meaningful relationships with the children and their families has been very helpful in learning what the children need to have a positive learning experience here. I have a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood with a concentration in Early Childhood Studies. My two daughters, Ariana (17years) and Aasha (14 years), keep me active.

Professional Interests:

- Reggio Emilia Approach
- Continuous education and development of skills
- Observation and documentation of children's growth
- Presenting at conferences
- Providing a culturally rich environment

Presentations & Professional Accomplishments:

- Denver II Screening Administrator
- Captain of University of Michigan-Flint ECDC's Crim Running Club 2009-2011
- Presenter, MiAEYC Annual Conference: Topic - Challenging Behaviors, 2010
- Presenter, GFAEYC Annual Conference: Topic – Challenging Behaviors, 2010
- Presenter, NAEYC Annual Conference: Topic – Challenging Behaviors, 2009
- Presenter, GFAEYC Annual Conference: Topic - Extending Learning Through Play, 2008

Area of Expertise:

- Natural compassion for children and their needs
- Demonstrating children's learning through observation and documentation
- CPR and First Aid Certified

Research Interests:

- Providing a variety of engaging opportunities for exploration and experimentation
- The impact of learning throughout early childhood
- Recognition of behavioral and developmental issues in early childhood
- Effective documentation strategies to measure children's learning

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

- How can early childhood educators integrate literacy into all areas of the classroom?
- Am I providing the best possible learning environment for children?
- Do I provide successful and inspirational educational experiences for college students and interns?