

## Registration

Name:

Address:

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Please mail check, payable to CUW,  
and registration form to:

Concordia University Wisconsin  
Attn: Dr. Candyce Seider  
12800 N. Lake Shore Dr.  
Mequon, WI 53097

## More Info...

The cost for the C-LECT training certification is \$300 (or \$225 per person if you host the event at your location with a minimum of 12 participants and provide the necessary meals).

This cost includes:

- One weekend seminar
- Teaching the Faith workshop
- Attendance at CUW's Literacy Festival at a reduced rate of \$40

Students may earn one college credit from CUW, either undergraduate or graduate level. There is additional work required and an additional fee of \$125 for the college credit.

We recommend that the cost be divided among the congregation, the center and the participant. The registration deadline is **Friday, October 4, 2013**. The fee is due at that time.

Checks should be made payable to:  
**Concordia University Wisconsin**

For more information, contact:  
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## Certification in Lutheran Early Childhood Teaching (C-LECT)



This certification will:

- Provide Early Childhood professionals with a foundation of Lutheran thought and teaching
- Introduce Early Childhood professionals to the mission and ministry of Early Childhood Education in the church
- Assist Early Childhood professionals in supporting the faith life of young children



## There will be one Friday night/Saturday seminar on:

**November 15-16, 2013**

Concordia University Wisconsin

Friday - 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday - 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

## Requirements for the certification:

Each participant will...

- Attend the November seminar
- Attend one Teaching the Faith Workshop in spring 2014, locations to be determined
- Attend the Literacy Festival at Concordia University Wisconsin on August 1, 2014
- Develop and present a project designed to benefit their center and the ministry of their congregation

As a result of this certification, we pray that congregations would recognize this accomplishment and provide an increase in salary.

## The seminars will include:

1. Early Childhood education as mission/ministry.
  - What are some of the LCMS terms we use and what do they mean?
  - Where do I fit into the LCMS structure
2. Exploring Lutheran thought and teaching.
  - Law and Gospel
  - Baptism and Communion
  - Faith and Grace
  - Other Spiritual Matters
3. Faith development of children and families.
4. Christian curriculum and family ministry.

C-LECT, on February 22-23, 2013 at our center was one of the unforeseen gifts we received this year. We were prepared and excited to host this seminar but surprisingly amazed at what we learned. Our center has always been a “melting pot” of different staff, with different educational and religious backgrounds. This diversity is what makes us great teachers to the children and families in our community. I learned so much about our staff’s Christian faith in this one weekend then I have over the ten years as their director. Their faith was in full view and what an honor it was to witness!



St. John's Lutheran School/Open Arms Child Development Center  
Debbie Drew, Administrative Director and staff

Over the years you knew and felt that you were doing God’s work as early childhood teachers, but this seminar reassured you that you were “Called” to do His work and what a blessing that it is! It also gave us an opportunity to connect with our Early Childhood partners in our District. Helping us learn about the inner workings of our District and understanding the importance of your mission and ministry. When you have newer, younger staff that are not familiar with your teaching or are new to the church, school and early childhood programs, this seminar can be the key to helping them understand the importance of teaching the faith.

We are very grateful and blessed that our congregation and families understood the importance of sponsoring our early childhood teachers so they all could attend this training. I highly encourage our churches, principles, pastors and teachers to help support their early childhood programs. The children and families that our early childhood professionals serve are proof that God’s plan is working!

“Our early childhood programs are wonderful ministries to our churches and schools. In many cases, these programs are the first steps families take to become part of our churches. Having a certification for our early childhood leaders, who are not rostered, will greatly enhance and support the outreach of our church and to the community we serve.” - **Mark L’Heureux, Education Executive, South Wisconsin District**