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INNOVATIVE EARLY EDUCATION IN BOSTON

EDUCATORS ARRANGE SIX MONTH PROJECT OF PROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, JUNE 28, 2018 For the next six months, Boston area educators will study the enlightened provision of public infant-toddler centers and preschools for all children and families of Reggio Emilia, Italy. More than five decades of research and innovation have positioned Reggio Emilia as an unparalleled example of what is possible when citizens, policy-makers, and educators collaborate for young children and families.

Globally recognized for its education and democracy project, Reggio Emilia confirms the basic democratic rights of citizens to develop a sense of belonging within a community, and to enrich every potential of every person. Such rights begin at birth. But, how do we satisfy our desire to understand such an approach?

The Wonder of Learning—The Hundred Languages of Children exhibit has moved throughout North America since 2008, hosted by 21 communities in the United States and Canada. More than 150,000 persons have interacted with the exhibit in the last decade. With impressive competence, communities of educators have organized themselves to host the exhibit and to develop learning experiences in connection with the presence of the exhibit. The exhibit has proven to be a remarkable tool for establishing professional collaborations and sustaining professional study.

The North American Reggio Emilia Alliance (NAREA), in collaboration with Reggio Children, is lead organizer for this project. For the last half of 2018, NAREA is working with the Boston Area Reggio-Inspired Network to offer a series of experiences to meet the learning interests of a wide variety of educators, advocates, and policy-makers.

The North American Reggio Emilia Alliance fosters the professionalism and public service of early childhood educators through innovative resources and experiences. We envision a world where all children are respected for their potential, capabilities, and humanity.

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