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from
WOE to WOW

PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT

for
Youth Serving Organizations

Professional Development Training Modules

- **Guiding the Group***: Learn how to set rules and expectations that are easy for young people to follow. Plus, gain practical behavior and classroom management skills that can help you lead large groups.
- **Building Relationships***: Understand the importance of healthy, positive relationships between youth and adults. Plus, learn how to create a safe, welcoming environment that can foster bonds between youth and others.
- **Environments for Learning***: Gain the tools needed to make almost any activity educational. Learn to ask questions that help young people develop critical thinking and life skills.
- **Communication**: Recognize different communication methods, understand non-verbal cues, and practice effective communication. Learn to speak and listen in ways that improve understanding for everyone.
- **Ages & Stages**: Identify the sequence and progress of human development. Then, use this knowledge to set realistic expectations and better relate to young people.
- **Teambuilding**: Work as a group to accomplish fun tasks and challenges. Participants will learn to better communicate with each other, problem solve together, and have fun.

Meet the Youth Educators



Emily Schoenfelder, 4-H Youth Development Educator

Emily's youth development expertise comes from her work in Illinois 4-H, California 4-H, and residential camping for the YMCA. Her current focus is on STEM engagement and social-emotional development in elementary and middle school-age students. She received a master of science degree in recreation, park, and tourism administration from Western Illinois University.

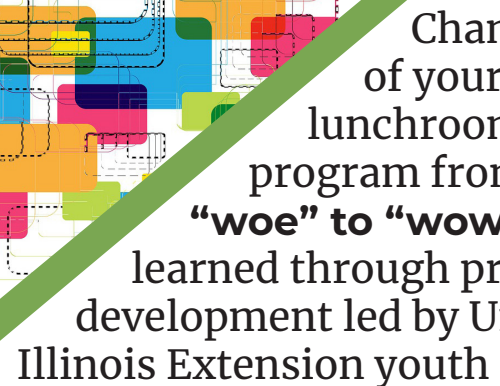
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Judy Schmidt, 4-H Metro-Youth Development Educator

Judy has worked in youth development for nearly 20 years. Her areas of expertise include positive youth development principles, youth leadership, and work with teens. She attended the U of I for her bachelor's degree in psychology and also for her master's degrees in Social Work and Marriage and Family Therapy.

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Change the vibe of your classroom, lunchroom, or youth program from **“woe” to “wow”** with skills learned through professional development led by University of Illinois Extension youth educators.

Training Modules

Guiding the Group *
Building Relationships *
Environments for Learning *
Communication
Ages & Stages
Teambuilding

Session Options for up to 25 people

Half-day = 3 *sessions \$150
Full-day = all 6 sessions \$300
We can organize meals for an extra cost.

Location Options

We are willing to come to your location or host at one of our Extension offices in Peoria, Pekin, Lewistown or Havana.

Individuals

Individuals interested in attending a training should complete the online form. Additional info. will be sent as those come available.

Benefits to Audience

Staff from all types of youth-serving organizations - non-profits, schools, libraries, churches - will gain valuable insights as well as practical, ready to use tools and methods that will improve the overall environment and positive youth development of your program.

To Schedule a Training

Complete our online form to begin the scheduling process.

<https://go.illinois.edu/WoeToWow>
Is funding an issue? Ask about our organizational scholarships.

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