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Spring Newsletter 2010



*"North Dakota's Professional Organization  
for Kindergarten Teachers"*

## Hello North Dakota Kindergarten Team!

### President's Notes:

"Some come to give and some come to get." Kindergarten conferences are incredible places for discovering new teaching and learning methods while applying them in our heads as well as our hearts.

Some come to give by sharing their talents, beliefs, methods and enthusiasm with participants.

Some come to help with planning, arrangements, implementations, scheduling, hanging art and cleaning up.

Some come to get, to learn, to gain and to use new knowledge for improved practices with students.

North Dakota kindergarten students benefit from the sharing that takes place at NDKA Conference. Our shared methods and philosophies keep kindergarten fresh and en-lighting. What is better than ND teachers researching what is right for children, bringing the best methods to our classrooms, applying developmentally appropriate practices while balancing the standards, the curriculum and assessments?

Please make plans to attend the next NDKA Annual Conference in West Fargo, North Dakota. We are making a move to the FALL. The conference planning is already taking place. Please consider coming

to give, in the manner of presenting, during a session of our conference.

Look inside to find out about our keynote speaker, registration, presenter registration and exhibitor information.

See you in the FALL!

Anne M. Moun  
NDKA President

### 10th Annual NDKA Conference

Saturday, October 2, 2010  
West Fargo, North Dakota  
[www.NDKA.com](http://www.NDKA.com)

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October 2, 2010 - West Fargo, ND



# 2010

First Ever . . . NDKA Fall Conference.

A fall conference will give us a great start to our year and the opportunity to implement the great ideas we gather!  
We hope to see you in West Fargo --- FALL 2010!

## Invite Someone!

NDKA welcomes all early childhood teachers, daycare providers, and college students. You will love the ideas that are presented at NDKA.

Please make copies and pass on the registration form for anyone interested!

## Legislative News

HB1378 passed in the 2009 Legislative Session and was signed by Governor Hoeven on April 21st, 2009.

HB1378 (ND Century Code 15.1-060-1) will move the birthday cut-off date to August 1st and it will be implemented summer of 2010.

The new law states that:  
\*Children must be five years old before August 1st to enter kindergarten.

## Kindergarten LISTSERV:

Please contact Amy Neal by email:  
[amy.neal@sendit.nodak.edu](mailto:amy.neal@sendit.nodak.edu)  
to be added to the ND Kindergarten LISTSERV.

The LISTSERV is an excellent tool (and free) for the ND K-Team to stay in touch. Many ideas are shared and questions are answered. It is hosted by EDUTECH and is available to all.

We have about 200 ND K-Teachers on the list and we want you to join...free & no junk-mail.

## Exhibitors:

Come to display, advertise, and sell your merchandise at NDKA Fall Conference! Exhibitors donate one product as a door prize.

If you would like to be an exhibitor at the NDKA conference, print out the "exhibitor form" from our website [www.ndka.com](http://www.ndka.com) and send to:

Name:  
Address:  
West Fargo, ND  
phone:  
email:

## Don't Forget... IDEA ROOM!!

Bring 100 copies of an idea that you would like to share with other teachers. It could be math, language arts, thematic, science, art, or anything in between!

The "Idea Room" has been a huge success for the NDKA conference. This is a great way to add to your personal files and share with others at the same time!

## Conference Fee & Membership

With your \$40 conference fee, NDKA considers you a member for the current year. If you are unable to attend the 2010 conference you may continue your membership for \$5.00.

Membership will run from fall conference to fall conference.

## Keynote Speaker

\* \* **Kim Adsit** \* \*

**Oct. 2, 2010**

**West Fargo, ND**

Kim Adsit is a 2002 Teacher of the Year from Georgia and has taught kindergarten for over 26 years.

Focusing on developing curriculum and strategies that incorporate child-centered activities, she emphasizes the fun of kindergarten by tapping into the curiosity of young children that plants the seed for lifelong learning. Kim has been selected as an Expert Teacher, and she serves as a teacher mentor. She has a Specialist Degree in Early Childhood Education as well as an At-Risk Endorsement.

Kim has co-authored 5 books with her latest titles:

*Book Making Bonanza & Jazzing Up Journals.*

Other books included are:

*\*Hooks, Books, and Cooks*

*\*Animal Hooks, Books, and Cooks*

*\*Read With Ease*

Check out Kim's website at:  
<http://www.adsit.net>

Please help us welcome Kim for her first trip to North Dakota on October 2nd, 2010 in West Fargo. You will be able to close your eyes and pick her out of the crowd with her southern accent!

10th Annual  
NDKA Conference

hosted by:  
*West Fargo K-Teachers*

**When:** Saturday, October 2nd  
8:00 am - 3:30 pm

(Refreshments & lunch included with registration.)

**Where:** Osgood Kindergarten Center  
XXXXX  
West Fargo, ND

**Mail Check & Registration form to:**

Cari Liebel  
NDKA Membership  
XXXX  
Watford City, ND 58854  
phone: XXX  
email: XXX

**Make checks payable: NDKA**

\*Membership runs from fall conference to fall conference. You will receive an email confirmation when registration is received.

**Hotel Accommodations:**

hotel name: phone  
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*(Rooms are blocked until XXXXX, 2010- tell them you are with "ND Kindergarten Association")  
Get your rooms booked in advance so you have a place to rest up!*

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Registration & Membership Form  
10th Annual NDKA Conference  
Saturday, October 2nd, 2010 \* West Fargo, North Dakota

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School District/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:  conference registration/membership - \$ 40  membership only - \$ 5  
 College Student - \$15: Institution \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_



May we add your email address to the ND K-LISTSERV?  yes  no  on-list already

Are you presenting a break-out session?  yes  no