



The Registry Connection

Fall 2016

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More than 15,000 individuals have received their Registry Cards since our launch in August. Now The Registry would like to celebrate with you on Facebook!

Here's how:

1. Take a selfie of your best pose with your Registry Card
2. Post your picture on [The Registry Facebook](#) page. Include [#IGotMyRegistryCard](#) in your post.
3. Your name will be entered in our drawing on December 9th with a chance to win:



Don't have a card? Learn more [here](#).

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Fire Tablet

- 8 GB storage
- 7" IPS display
- Up to 7 hours of watching videos & surfing the web



Silver
Jawbone UP

- Wireless activity & sleep tracker
- Includes Strap Pack
- Works with the free UP app



Bronze
Ancord Mini

- Bluetooth Wireless speaker
- Offers maximum portability
- Multi-functional

YoungStar Points

Inclusion Training Can Count

Staff who take inclusion training can also help programs earn YoungStar points. To learn more about YoungStar Quality Rating Information and Point Detail, click [here](#).

The Registry Statewide Training Calendar can be a great place to find Inclusion trainings that match the YoungStar criteria. Click on the type of training below to find scheduled events related to inclusion:

1. [Pyramid Model](#)
2. [Inclusion Credits](#)
3. [Inclusion Registry Equivalent](#)

Importance of Inclusion

In September, The Registry's Peter Deakman, presented Registry data at the Early Childhood Inclusion Institute.

Inclusion is a growing area of focus in child care. Practitioners who complete coursework in this area can gain the skills and confidence to support special needs children and families in an inclusive environment.

The importance of inclusion training is reflected by the chart below:



Peter presenting

% of Classrooms with at Least One Staff with Inclusion Training



Keeping Your Account Safe

Online accounts, including your Registry profile(s), can hold important personal information. While The Registry maintains safe practices to keep data private and secure, it is important for you to make a strong password and keep it safe. Here are some suggestions:

Password Do's & Don'ts:

- Do not write your password on a sticky note and leave it in plain site. If you need to write down your password, keep it in a safe place. You can also try writing the name of the website with a password clue instead of the actual password. If you do forget your password, you can always use The Registry's [password retrieval tool](#).
- Be cautious with sharing passwords, especially for Registry organization accounts. These accounts can contain important staff information and should be safeguarded. It is also recommended to change your password, ideally every 6 months.
- Do not choose easily guessed passwords such as "12345" or "password". A strong password includes using CAPITAL and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols.

Stay Up-To-Date

Review Your Contact Info

Make sure your Registry account information is current. This includes keeping your name, address, email, and phone number up-to-date.

The Registry does send important email reminders regarding your account from time to time.

The Registry Graduation Gala

- What:** The Registry Graduation Gala is a family-friendly event that celebrates the achievements of all who have completed a Registry Credential or related degree in the past year.
- When:** The Gala is scheduled for the evening of **March 4, 2017**.
- Where:** This event will take place in Madison. Guests will enjoy a catered meal prior to the ceremony and prize drawings and live music after.
- Who:** Those welcome to attend include graduates and their families, college staff, Registry Commissioners, T.E.A.C.H. Scholarship Counselors and statewide agency personnel. See pictures of last year's ceremony on [The Registry Facebook page](#).
- Contact:** Registration information will be available in January 2017. Additional questions can be directed to credentials@the-registry.org



Spotlight Nominations

Know someone in the childhood care and education profession that deserves special recognition? Nominate that individual for the Staff Spotlight.

If you would like to nominate an individual, send a description of how that person is making a difference in the field. Please send your nominations by December 1st to Joshua Vick at jvick@the-registry.org

Staff Spotlight: Meet Beth Battista

The Registry would like to recognize Beth Battista for showing exceptional generosity and love to the children in her room. Beth, a Registry member with 13-years' experience in the classroom, seized an opportunity to do something special.

About a year ago, one of Beth's four-year-old students was diagnosed with a rare autoimmune disorder that caused her kidneys to fail. She has been on dialysis every day since then.

With every passing day, the need to find a donor was growing in urgency. A nationwide search during the summer months failed to yield a match, that is until Beth was tested. "It was something inside of me that said I needed to get tested," Beth recalls.

The test results showed Beth was a perfect match and would be able to donate. "I feel blessed to be able to save her life." The transplant is scheduled for February 2017.

Beth's remarkable donation has been the focus of media outlets around the world. She hopes sharing her story will raise awareness and save more lives, noting, "I hope that sharing this story will... teach more people about the importance of living organ donation."

See more of this incredible story [here](#).

