

# THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR Guidelines for Writers

## **About The Early Childhood Educator**

The Early Childhood Educator is the quarterly journal of the Early Childhood Educators of British Columbia (ECEBC). It keeps members of ECEBC up-to-date and informed about current issues, research, and policies in early childhood education. Our readers include early childhood educators, family child care providers, administrators, college and university instructors, students, research and policy analysts, and child care advocates.

# **Writing Style**

We ask writers to use language that is clear, straightforward, and easy for the reader to understand. Writers should always write in the active voice (e.g. "The educators planned..." rather than "Plans were made by the educators..."). Most articles published in the journal are between 500 and 1200 words in length.

#### **Visuals**

Authors are encouraged to include visuals (high-resolution photographs, children's work samples, charts and graphs) that enhance the text. We do require a parent's signature for all photos of children included in the journal. Let us know if you need an ECEBC Parent Permission Form and we'd be happy to email you one.

### **Preparing Submissions**

Please note that all articles are edited but authors remain responsible for the accuracy of statements and quotations in their work. To help you prepare your piece, we have included some guidelines:

- Please do not format your article. All articles are edited and formatted by the editor.
- Please ensure that all information is given for references (For books: author's name, title of book, publisher's name, place of publication, and date. For articles: author's name, title of article, name of periodical, dates, and volume and issue number).
- Include a one-sentence biography about yourself for inclusion at the end of your article.

#### **Sending Submissions**

If you need further information on submitting articles and upcoming deadlines, or would like to submit your submission, please email Lynne Reside, Director of Communications, at <a href="mailto:lynne\_reside@hotmail.com">lynne\_reside@hotmail.com</a>.

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