

Product Update

Experience, Explore, Learn: The Amazing World of Play

Talaris Institute releases the Experience, Explore, Learn video for early childhood professionals

Seattle, WA, February 1, 2011—Talaris Institute is pleased to announce a new Parenting Counts video on play designed for early childhood professionals to support their work with parents and children: *Experience, Explore, Learn: The Amazing World of Play*.

Experience, Explore, Learn is a 20-minute DVD that reinforces the critical role of play in every child's healthy development by teaching how children learn about the world and experience life through play.

"Play is the path to lifelong learning and healthy development," explained Carolyn Pirak at Talaris Institute. "Through play, children develop a wide variety of skills including problem solving, creativity, imagination, critical thinking, fine and gross motor skills and emotional regulation. This understanding becomes the foundation for future learning and success."

The video is divided into short chapters filled with practical information and parenting tips. Early learning professionals can use the DVD to teach the importance of play or to facilitate discussions with parents of children birth to age five. Topics include the different types of play, why play is important, and how parents and caregivers can support their children's healthy development through play.

Experience, Explore, Learn: The Amazing World of Play and other resources for early childhood professionals are available now for purchase via the Parenting Counts Marketplace. For more information or to place an order, visit www.ParentingCounts.org/marketplace.

About Talaris Institute

Talaris Institute is a Seattle-based nonprofit whose mission is to support parents and caregivers in raising socially and emotionally healthy children. To learn more about Talaris Institute, please visit www.talaris.org. Resources for parents and early learning professionals are available at www.parentingcounts.org. Talaris is on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/Talaris.ParentingCounts>

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