



YOU ARE INVITED

Virtual KIDS Summit for Kindergarten Teachers

March 15, 16 and 18, 2021
from 4-6 p.m. each day

In the middle of an unprecedented year, we invite Kindergarten teachers across Illinois to join us for the first ever Virtual KIDS Summit. Usually held in-person in December, this spring we'll be learning together online.

This Virtual Summit will take place after school from 4-6 p.m. across three days: March 15, 16 and 18 with a variety of formats to really take advantage of the virtual environment including specialized breakout sessions with real world application to your remote or in-person classrooms, time for reflection and small group discussion, an amazing keynote, classroom giveaways, and more!

To get the most out of your KIDS Summit experience, we encourage you to share this invitation with your Kindergarten peers and other KIDS partners.

REGISTER TODAY!

Registration closes on March 3

Registration is FREE!

SUMMIT OVERVIEW

In a year of challenge, join us for a week of fun and learning.

MONDAY, MARCH 15

Opening keynote with early learning champion Kristine Mraz, author of *Purposeful Play*.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

Interactive choice sessions in smaller groups about SEL, play, literacy and more.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

Closing session with the chance to reflect and a celebration with prizes and giveaways!



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Kristine Mraz, PK-2 Instructional Coach

Kristine (Kristi) Mraz is a teacher, writer, pun nerd, and consultant. She is the co-author of several bestselling books about cultivating optimism, flexibility, and empathy in the classroom and how to make play a powerful part of teaching. She is a new transplant to California, and you will often find her playing with her family.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDUs) will be offered to event participants.
- For questions regarding the Virtual KIDS Summit, please contact wuptain@mccormickfoundation.org.
- For questions related to KIDS training and coaching supports, please contact Michelle Escapa at mescapa@roe51.org.
- For questions about KIDS implementation and ISBE guidance for 2021, please contact Terri Lamb at tlamb@isbe.net.



Kindergarten Individual Development Survey
Every Illinois Child Ready for Kindergarten