Point Park University
Project Children LEAD
(Learning Early to Appreciate Diversity)

Point Park University is pleased to share the Project Children LEAD (Learning Early to Appreciate Diversity) 5th Annual Conference, website and resources with educators from around the world. The LEAD website www.childrenlead.org, developed by Point Park Professor of Education, Dr. Vincenne Revilla Beltran, contains lesson plans, weblinks, books and additional resources to help teachers include diversity themes into curriculum. The lesson plans include academic standards and all start with a developmentally appropriate book related to the LEAD lesson themes. Please visit the website and share this information with your colleagues!

The LEAD Curriculum
The LEAD curriculum lesson themes begin with first learning to appreciate self and others; lessons build to increasingly macro based lessons, each building on the previously learned knowledge and skills. LEAD lesson themes are:

- Getting to Know You
- I am Special and You are Special
- Families and Neighborhoods
- Using Words to Work Things Out
- Physical Differences
- Foods and Languages of the World
- International Festival: Passport to the world

The main learning objectives of the LEAD curriculum are to teach children early to appreciate and value human diversity in their classrooms, families, neighborhoods and communities. Dr. Vincenne Revilla Beltran hopes Project Children LEAD will make a positive difference in the lives and futures of young children fortunate enough to experience diversity education at an early age in a positive and supportive learning environment.

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