

# Increase All Your Students' Learning with Practical, Timesaving Work Stations that Work! (Pre-K and Kindergarten)



A Unique One-Day Seminar Presented by

**Carolyn McMahon**

Outstanding Educator, Author and National Presenter

**Specifically Designed for Educators Working with Preschool and Kindergarten Children: Preschool and Kindergarten Teachers, Head Start Teachers, Instructional Assistants, Special Education Staff, and Administrators**

**Practical, timesaving strategies to plan, organize and manage literacy and math work stations** for your pre-k and kindergarten students

**Specific ideas to differentiate your reading, writing, listening, and math work stations** to meet the wide range of readiness and learning levels of your pre-k and kindergarten students

Dozens of new ideas for work stations that are **easy-to-prepare, use low- to no-cost materials** and save classroom space

**Receive an extensive resource handbook** which includes best strategies, activities, ideas, and literature selections you can use immediately in your pre-k or kindergarten literacy and math work stations

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## **Texas**

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## **Wisconsin**

**Milwaukee (Brown Deer) – March 23**

# Ten Key Benefits of Attending

*'Carolyn is exciting and motivating! Her seminar is comprehensive and packed with ideas that can easily be implemented in the classroom.'*

– JOANNE DELLAVALLE,  
TEACHER



## Who Should Attend

Educators Working with  
Preschool and Kindergarten  
Children: Preschool  
and Kindergarten Teachers,  
Head Start Teachers,  
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and Administrators.

### 1. Practical Literacy and Math Work Stations to Prepare Your Preschool and Kindergarten Students for School Success

Practical and doable work station ideas and activities to maximize students' time on task as they practice literacy and math skills ... Easy and ready-to-use ideas for work stations

### 2. Learn the Key Differences Between Centers and Work Stations and Why it Matters

Literacy and math centers are not the same as work stations ... Discover why work stations are ideal for young learners and how to make the change so students get the most out of each station

### 3. How to Create Work Stations that Scaffold Students for Greater Independence

Discover how to work smarter, not harder, with work stations! Easy ways to set up work stations that students can manage on their own ... Numerous ideas for starting, rotating, cleaning up, and student accountability ... Specific tips for observing and assessing students

### 4. Use What You Already Have in the Space You Have

No need to reinvent everything you do ... Find out how you can use the materials you currently have in the space you have ... Managing and organizing work stations for the greatest impact

### 5. Work Stations that Provide Practice of the Reading Foundational Skills

Numerous work station ideas for concepts of print, phonemic awareness, phonics, word recognition, and fluency ... Outstanding strategies that will provide students the purposeful practice of the key foundational skills

### 6. Practical Activities for Your Math Standards

Discover unique ideas and activities that will actively engage your students in the math skills and concepts in your math standards ... All ideas are easily adaptable to your math program

### 7. Literacy Work Stations that Engage Young Students in Informational Text and Familiar Stories

Use work stations to practice the retelling of key ideas and details of informational text, stories and poems ... Work stations can easily be a follow-up reinforcement to your large group lessons

### 8. Use Work Stations to Focus on Early Writing Skills

Learn how to incorporate drawing and writing work stations to establish a purpose and audience for writing ... Developmentally appropriate ideas for your young writers

### 9. Create Work Stations Where Students Practice with Purpose

Match your work stations with specific math objectives to greatly increase your pre-k and kindergarten students' practice time on skill-building tasks ... Dozens of work station ideas for literacy and math

### 10. Differentiation Ideas to Meet Students at Their Levels

Specific ideas to differentiate your reading, writing, listening, and math work stations to meet the wide range of readiness and learning levels of your pre-k and kindergarten students

# Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

## What You Will Learn ...

- Using work stations to prepare your pre-k and kindergarten students for **success in literacy and math**
- Strategies to **build independent learning** through work stations
- Quality **children's literature and informational text ideas** perfect for pre-k and kindergarten
- **How to create work stations for math strands** that will have students practicing the math skills and concepts they need, at their levels
- **Easy strategies for observing and assessing** students at work in stations
- Easy ways to set up work stations that help students **practice reading foundational skills**
- How to **use what you already have** in the space you have
- **Work stations vs. centers** and why it matters
- Design interactive work stations to **expose your students to a wider range of reading and text complexity**
- What to do with **students who finish tasks fast**
- Practical strategies for creating work stations that **provide intentional practice with purpose**
- **Creative work station activities perfect for young learners** to encourage them to learn through independent practice



*'Carolyn was great! She kept us moving, engaged and entertained. I learned so many new ideas and activities that I will definitely use in my classroom!'*

— CARRIE LAMBERT, PRE-K TEACHER

## Practical Ideas and Strategies

What do your standards in literacy and math mean for our pre-k and kindergarten classrooms? This seminar is specifically designed to address this question with practical and doable work stations you can use immediately with your preschool and kindergarten students! **Carolyn McMahon** has organized and created a day filled with interactive, hands-on and minds-on lessons, work stations and resources in literacy and math. You will leave with dozens of ideas to help all your preschool and kindergarten students become engaged in purposeful practice of the key skills and concepts necessary to prepare them for your standards. Most importantly, all of the strategies and work station ideas are easily adaptable to what you currently have in place and require minimal preparation time and materials!

**You won't want to miss this unique and fast-paced day filled with dozens of ways you can teach and help your preschool or kindergarten students prepare for greater school success using purposeful work stations.**



# A Message From Seminar Leader, Carolyn McMahon



## Uniquely Qualified Instructor

**Carolyn McMahon** is a high-energy teacher with years of experience in early childhood and kindergarten classrooms. She is an outstanding national presenter who is known for her highly practical and interactive seminars that are filled with classroom-proven strategies. She is the co-author of several books including the *Wee Can* series and materials used in classrooms throughout the United States, and the sole author of *Increase All Your Students' Learning with Practical, Timesaving Work Stations that Work! (Pre-K and Kindergarten)*, the resource handbook you will receive at the seminar. Carolyn's wealth of experience, knowledge and passion for young learners along with a sense of humor are the highlights of spending a day with her.

*You will leave with dozens of "hear-it-today, use-it-tomorrow" strategies that will give you a fresh, new attitude as you return to your own students!*

Dear Colleague:

Teaching our young learners is already challenging work and preparing them to meet your standards has added yet another task to our plate. How can we do it all without spending hours planning, collecting materials and organizing? As a teacher myself, I know how hard you already work! I have planned this day to help you work smarter, not harder, through the use of meaningful work stations.

Join your colleagues and me for a day filled with practical, ready-to-use literacy and math work stations to help you seamlessly incorporate your standards. I will model how you can easily create work stations, using much of what you already have on hand, that will engage students in the purposeful practice of the skills and concepts most important to becoming readers, writers and mathematicians!

Here is a sample of what you will learn:

- Easy ways to set up work stations that help students **practice the reading foundational skills**
- **Math work station ideas** to help your young students learn number sense and math concepts
- **Quality children's literature and informational text** to connect to your instruction
- **How to differentiate work stations** to meet the wide range of readiness levels in your classroom
- **Demonstrations of games and work stations** to keep students moving and learning in engaging and motivating ways

I can't wait to share with you what I have found works best with our preschoolers and kindergartners! Come ready to sing, dance, move, and share a day packed with not only innovative work station ideas, but also a renewed inspiration for teaching!

Sincerely,

Carolyn McMahon

P.S. You will also receive my extensive resource handbook filled with **practical ideas, strategies and lessons** you can use immediately!

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# What Your Colleagues Say About Carolyn McMahon

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*"Wow! Carolyn shared so many ideas that I can use right away in my classroom!"*

– Amelia Callen, Pre-K Teacher

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*"Carolyn is so interactive and energetic. I appreciated learning so many new ideas!"*

– Michelle Greco, Special Education Teacher

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*"Thank you for such a fun and engaging day! My notes are full of activities to take back to my classroom and start using tomorrow."*

– Alea Nicholson, Master Pre-K Teacher

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*"This seminar is amazing! Carolyn's passion for teaching really brought the content to life! I have so many new ideas to bring back to my school."*

– Darci Powers, Executive Director

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*"Best seminar I have attended! So many ideas to use right away! Carolyn is personable, fun and has a wonderful sense of humor!"*

– Dawn Marfilius, Pre-K Teacher



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*"I had a great time and learned a lot! Carolyn is very energetic and made this seminar interactive and fun!"*

– Michelle Jocks, Teacher

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*"Carolyn is amazing, highly energetic and she shared usable ideas. I look forward to sharing with my faculty what I learned."*

– Diane Panzarino, Director

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*"This is by far the best seminar I have attended! Carolyn provided great activities and tools to improve my teaching. I am leaving excited to teach new ideas to my students."*

– Colleen Carroll, Kindergarten Teacher

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*"Mrs. McMahon is a fantastic presenter! This seminar was enjoyable and I can't wait to implement the new strategies!"*

– Heather Wood, Pre-K Teacher

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*"Wonderful resources! Tons of adaptations to meet the needs of diverse students! I'm leaving with lots of ideas that use materials already in my classroom."*

– Carol Siegel, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher

# Special Benefits of Attending



## Online Learning

BER offers educators a wide range of online courses that are affordable, fun, fast, and convenient. BER is now offering On Demand Video-Based courses as well as Scheduled Instructor-Led courses. You also may earn optional graduate-level credits for most courses. See the catalog of available courses at [www.ber.org/onlinelearning](http://www.ber.org/onlinelearning)

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A related BER seminar, *101 Mini-Lessons to Strengthen Your Preschool or Kindergarten Program: Strategies that Work!*, also presented by Carolyn McMahon, is available on CDs with a comprehensive resource handbook at a cost of \$99.00 plus \$9.00 shipping and handling. To order, call toll-free 1-800-735-3503 (**Stock #A-QMM-1951**) or use the order form on page 7.

Please visit [www.berproducts.org/audio-seminars.html](http://www.berproducts.org/audio-seminars.html) for more information.



## Extensive Resource Handbook

Each participant will receive an extensive resource handbook specifically designed for this seminar. The handbook includes:

- Detailed directions for setting up dozens of work stations
- Multiple evaluation techniques for work stations
- Quality literature titles featured for specific work stations across the kindergarten/preschool curriculum
- Exploration stations! A quick station, minimal materials, maximum learning!
- Dozens of visual examples to help teachers get started using work stations

## Meet and Share

This seminar provides a wonderful opportunity for participants to meet and share ideas with other educators interested in timesaving work stations to enhance their pre-k and kindergarten programs.

## Meet Inservice Requirements / Earn State CEUs

Participants will receive a certificate of participation that may be used to verify continuing education hours.

## CEUs Available:

### Illinois

5 IL PD Clock Hours Available

### Minneapolis

MN Clock Hours Available

### Missouri

MO Inservice Credit Available with Prior District Approval; KS Inservice Credit Available with Prior District Approval in Kansas City; 5 IL PD Clock Hours Available in St. Louis

### Ohio

OH CEUs Available with District Approval

### Texas

TX Registered Approved CPE Provider

### Wisconsin

WI Verification of Attendance Available

## Earn One to Four Graduate Semester Credits



Up to four graduate level professional development credits are available with an additional fee and completion of follow-up practicum activities. Details for direct enrollment with Brandman University, part of the Chapman University system, will be available at this program.

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## Meeting Sites and Hotel Accommodations

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- Chicago North: Holiday Inn – Elk Grove Village, (847) 437-6010
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- Cleveland: Crowne Plaza – Independence, (216) 524-0700
- Columbus: Courtyard Marriott West, (614) 771-8999
- Dallas: Hilton Garden Inn Las Colinas – Irving, (972) 444-8434
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- Milwaukee: Four Points by Sheraton – Brown Deer, (414) 355-8585
- Minneapolis: Crowne Plaza – Plymouth, (763) 559-6600
- St. Louis: Clayton Plaza Hotel – Clayton, (314) 726-5400

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## Cancellation/Substitutions:

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## Program Guarantee

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