



Kane County Health Department Sponsors Early Childhood Film Screening

January 22, 2020 - The Kane County All Our Kids (AOK) Early Childhood Network, an initiative of the Kane County Health Department, and several local school districts invite community members to a free screening of the new documentary **No Small Matter**. The event will occur on Wednesday, March 4 at 6:00 p.m. at the Batavia Fine Arts Center at Batavia High School, 1201 Main St., Batavia. After the screening, there will be a panel discussion including a member of Governor Pritzker's Early Childhood Commission. To reserve free tickets, go to BataviaFineArtsCentre.org.

No Small Matter is a 75-minute documentary focusing on the first 2,000 days of a child's life and the importance of interactions with parents, family members and peers. It discusses the changes in how children are being raised, how and when young children learn and the need for high-quality, play based preschool programs and the long term outcomes of such programs. This event is open to everyone who is interested in the welfare and education of the area's youngest learners.

This event is open to early childhood educators, government representatives, business owners, administrators, parents and interested community members. There will be networking opportunities with representatives from all sectors. An expert panel discussion will illustrate how the ideas in the film relate to Kane County and what educators can do to help communities thrive for generations to come. Professional developmental credit will be available for educators, early intervention educators, and day care staff.

This event is co-sponsored by the AOK Network, the Kane County Health Department, Batavia Public School District 101, St. Charles CUSD 303, Geneva CUSD 304, Fox Valley United Way and STARNET Region II/The Center.

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The Kane County AOK Early Childhood Network is a dedicated group of partners who work together to strengthen young children and their families. By working together they are able to change local system of services. These system changes generates better outcomes for children and their families. Outcomes such as:

- Ensuring families have the opportunity to receive the services they need
- Ensuring families experience coordinated services
- Parents are involved as partners in creating better system of services and supports
- Families experience equity in the services they are receiving or offered
- Families are engaged in services and supports that are high quality

For more information about the AOK Network, visit KaneHealth.com/Pages/All-Our-Kids.aspx.

The Kane County Health Department was formed in 1985 by resolution of the Kane County Board to promote, protect and advocate for health and wellness in the community. The main offices are in Aurora, Illinois, with a satellite office in Elgin, Illinois. The Department is organized into the Division of Health Promotion, the Division of Disease Prevention and the Division of Community Health Resources. The vision of KCHD is to make Kane County residents the healthiest in Illinois by 2030.

For more information, visit KaneHealth.com or call 630-208-3801.

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