

Mindful Moments in Education

serving the greater Grand Rapids area

...supporting and sharing: a personal practice, student lessons, and our community
(Sponsored by the Grand Rapids Center for Mindfulness)

May 31, 2015

General Meeting 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
(Book club will meet from 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm)

Stepping Stones Montessori School, 1110 College Avenue Northeast, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(Driveway is on Paris Ave., even though the address says College:-)



Welcome, Introductions, and Sharing

Short mindfulness practice

Personal Practice

- Carol Hendershott, Grand Rapids Center for Mindfulness will share: “The Importance of a Personal Practice when Teaching Mindfulness”.
- Group discussion: What does your personal practice look like?

General Overview of Available Mindfulness Programs for Children and Youth

- China VanPoorn: “Mindful Schools”
- Cheryl Blackington: “.b (dot b)”
- Steve Norman: Experiential Mindfulness – The Ropes Challenge Course
- Patti Ward: “Learning to Breathe”

Community Sharing and Caring

- *What can we do (or are we doing) to support Mindfulness in Schools?*
- *What are we doing to support our teachers?*

Close with 1 minute of silence

Mindfulness Book Club: 1:30 – 2:00 pm

The Way of Mindful Education by Daniel Rechtschaffen
Read Part IV: Mindful Education Curriculum (pages 139 - 274)

Guiding Questions:

- What is your favorite quote or passage?
- What did you learn that you didn’t know before?
- How would you summarize this section?
- What was your most important take away?

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