Join us for a free training!
Participants will learn about two different topics:

**Change Your Language, Change Their Lives**
Neuroscience discoveries have revolutionized our understanding of how the brains of our children learn and grow. In particular, brain research reveals how the specific language used by adults who teach, mentor, counsel and parent youth has a much more profound effect on their development than previously realized. Learn the four powerful “Languages of the Brain” that will transform the lives of the children you serve. Walk away with a new way of talking to youth that builds resilience, promotes intrinsic motivation, enhances cognitive stimulation and creates kaleidoscope thinkers. What you say matters, more than you ever knew!

**Beyond Poverty: Brain inspired Ways to Understand and Respond to Poverty**
“Beyond Poverty” is designed to provide participants with a strong foundation on the specific impact of poverty on the health, function, and development of impoverished youth. The brains of youth from poverty are significantly different than their higher S.E.S. counterparts. Understanding these differences provides the basis for the methods, strategies, and overall model employed to combat and overcome the pervasive negative effects of poverty on the developing brain.

**WHEN:** September 19, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Starlight Theater
2401 Swan Lake Blvd
Independence, IA

No food or drink will be allowed since the concessions will be open for you to purchase items from.

Frank Kros, MSW, JD
Frank is a career child advocate, who has served as a childcare worker, child abuse investigator, children’s home administrator, consultant, college professor, attorney, writer and speaker. Frank currently serves as president of Transformation Education Institute, Director of the National-At-Risk Education Network (NAREN) and executive vice president of The Children’s Guild, a multi-service children’s organization headquartered in Maryland.

Frank is a worldwide speaker and presents seminars to parents, educators, child serving professionals and their leaders on various topics including brain-based learning, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), neuroscience of the teenage brain and brain-compatible organizational leadership. He also speaks on the effects of stress, child abuse and poverty in relation to brain function and development. He has presented his workshops at national education, social work and human services conferences, and Frank was awarded a Maryland Governor’s Citation for his speaking efforts.

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