

PLAY with Big PLANS @ Learning Adventures Preschool SOUTH



Carmen Wallin, BA Psych., BEd

Holding her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Saskatchewan and her Bachelor of Education from the U of C, Carmen comes from a family of teachers. Not only is her dad a retired teacher, but so are two of her uncles and an aunt. Now, her sister and niece are also teachers. They maintain close relationships, and are eager to learn from one another. After teaching in private schools and for Palliser Regional Schools, Carmen chose to make raising her family her first priority. Carmen, and her husband Brent, have three lovely children (two daughters: Bayley age 14, and Blake age 7; and a son, Carter age 10) and a pet dog named Chipper. With a passion for engaging children in creative learning, Carmen brings her skills of being inventive and artistic to her teaching profession, and she loves to watch children smile while they learn something new in fun and challenging ways. The concept of acceptance is also very important to Carmen, and she strives to ensure all children feel like they belong and are appreciated as individuals. Quietly competitive, Carmen has a kind heart, strong spirit and a brave soul. When she isn't teaching, Carmen enjoys painting ceramics and taking bike rides with her family. She appreciates a movie that can make her laugh or cry, has fun cooking dinner with friends, and would find it impossible to give up books, as evidenced by their presence in every room of her home. Email – cwallin@bigplans.org



Olga Knight - BA, BEd, MBA, BCC

Olga Knight has 30 years of experience in working with diverse students as an educator, mentor, special needs coach, classroom teacher and teacher of preschool students with learning differences. She holds several degrees, a coaching certificate and has attended dozen of workshops focusing on diversity and differently abled learning. Her current role with Big Plans focuses on providing enrichment for preschool students in Academic Readiness, Physical and Motor Development, Social and Emotional Development, Early Language and Speech Development, and Parents and Play. As a mother of a former PUF-funded child who is now a practicing lawyer, Olga brings a unique perspective to the role of parenting a child with learning difficulties. Bring your child and join her at the South Campus at CCS. Email – oknight@bigplans.org