

## Newsletter, April 2018

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### CCF Faculty Affiliate Study Suggests Children with Hearing Loss Experience More Bullying



[Dr. Andrea Warner-Czyz](#), CCF faculty affiliate, associate professor in the School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences, and researcher at the Callier Center for Communication Disorders recently published a study showing that youth with hearing loss experience higher rates of peer victimization than youth with typical hearing. The study, published in the journal *Exceptional Children*, showed that the kinds of bullying experienced by kids with hearing loss mimics patterns of bullying among kids with other special needs, but with higher rates of social exclusion. [Read more...](#)

This research was also featured in CCF's 2018 Spring Lecture Series. See [here for a video](#) of Dr. Warner-Czyz's talk. Handouts, slides, and videos from the other lectures in our series can be found [on our website](#). Thank you to [United Way of Metropolitan Dallas](#) and to the [Center for Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology](#) for your support and partnership with our series!

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### Apply for the Master's Degree Program in Human Development and Early Childhood Disorders

UT Dallas' [Human Development and Early Childhood Disorders program](#) prepares students to work with young children (birth to 5) and their families in early childhood intervention programs. Combining

coursework with practical experiences in a variety of community settings, the master's degree program provides specialized training in developmental assessment, identification and intervention techniques for developmental disorders, and family-centered developmental guidance for parents. To be considered for admission starting this Fall, **applications are due by May 1st.**

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## Annual Fall Forum on "Building Early Social-Emotional Health Two Generations at a Time" October 19th, 2018

Save the date for CCF's annual fall forum on **Friday, October 19th**, featuring Dr. Ross Thompson as keynote speaker. Dr. Thompson is a [distinguished professor of psychology](#) at the University of California, Davis, and [President of the Board](#) of Zero to Three. Dr. Thompson's research focuses on early parent-child relationships, the development of emotion understanding and regulation, and prosocial motivation and the growth of self-understanding in young children.



Dr. Thompson will also be featured in [The Raising of Fort Worth](#), an alliance to support the quality early development and education of children in Fort Worth, on **Thursday, October 18th**, in partnership with [First3Years](#). Please save the dates for then.



## Thank You for Your Support on Comets Giving Day!

Thank you to all of CCF's supporters on the second annual [Comets Giving Day](#). Because of you, CCF raised over \$3,000 in the 18 hour campaign. And, while we were just short of winning the door decorating contest, we still received bonus funds for our second place finish. Your support is instrumental in the operation of our outreach programming serving young children and their parents across Dallas. Thank you!

## From the Director

I'm very pleased with the results of our fundraising efforts on Comets Giving Day. We tripled what was raised over last year on the inaugural day and your engagement in our door decorating challenge and participation on Giving Day made it fun and exciting. Comets Giving Day was the start of our Spring fundraising campaign, so look for letters soon asking for your contribution to our Spring goal. We are grateful to UT Dallas' School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences for their support, but further support is continually needed from foundations, corporations, and individuals like you to drive our mission of promoting the optimal development of children and families. Please consider [making a gift today](#).



- Margaret T. Owen, PhD, Robinson Family Professor, Director, Center for Children and Families

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