

**ONE ON ONE TWO BY TWO:
DEVELOPING A COMMUNITY
OF EARLY CHILDHOOD PROFESSIONALS**
The Early Childhood Mentor Project of Tompkins County

ABOUT THIS VIDEO

- **One On One Two By Two** documents the experiences of a community early childhood mentoring project over a four-year period. It was intended to inspire other communities and assist them to think about their own professional development needs. In undertaking this process, a community can envision a mentoring project tailored to the needs of their early childhood teachers, children and families and the systems that provide care and education. Mentoring as a grass-roots effort requires the collaboration of those early childhood professionals with vested interest in the lives of young children. You will find that those people are many.
- **One On One Two By Two** addresses the universality of the mentoring experience as told in story form by the various participants. The Advisory Board speaks to the vision of the mentor project; it's trajectory and surprising outcomes. The mentors and partners tell their stories of struggle and change, alluding to issues of isolation, affirmation, support and advocacy. Community members share their perspective on the impact of mentoring.
- **One On One Two By Two** provides a snapshot of the mentoring experience, a springboard for further discussion. Six steps taken to initiate, sustain and develop our community early childhood mentor project are provided for you in the discussion guide, along with the questions and decisions proposed in the process.
- **One On One Two By Two** is best supported by other mentoring resources that provide guidance in initiating a community early childhood mentor project. *The Early Childhood Mentoring Curriculum: A Handbook for Mentors* and *The Early Childhood Mentoring Curriculum: Trainer's Guide* (1997, by Dan Bellm, Marcy Whitebook, and Patty Hnatiuk) are available through Gryphon House (orders@ghbooks.com).
- **One On One Two By Two** is part of a larger Ithaca area early childhood professional development initiative. For more information see our website at prekstaffdevelopment.org
- **One On One Two By Two** can be purchased for \$25.00. For ordering or more information regarding this video contact Judith by email at jr42@cornell.edu.