



MSU Extension Presents: Online - Extension Extras for Parents The Purpose of Play

DATE:
May 19, 2026

TIME:
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

FREE

Download Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/download>

Register at:

https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_niFCQDzYRKGcnu3qCa5vmw



For more information or
accommodations* contact:

Courtney Aldrich
aldric82@msu.edu
(517) 993-8649



DESCRIPTION:

May 19: The Purpose of Play

Play is a child's work! Children need quality play experiences in early childhood to help them learn and develop. The Purpose of Play will help parents and caregivers discover why play-based education for young children is so critical to their social, emotional, language, cognitive and physical development. This workshop will help participants learn about why play matters, discuss why children today are not having play-based experiences at home, examine the value of outdoor, sensory and pretend play experiences, learn about the skills are learned through play and learn strategies to support play experiences for young children.

Extension Extras for Parents is a collection of free online parenting workshops that provide guidance for parents and caregivers as they navigate the joys, challenges and concerns of parenting.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Register in advance for any of the Extension Extras webinar workshops at the following link:

https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_niFCQDzYRKGcnu3qCa5vmw

Choose May 19 to register for Purpose of Play

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

***Accommodations should be requested no later than 2 weeks before class**

Michigan State University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status. Persons with disabilities have the right to request and receive reasonable accommodations.