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A special welcome to our guest!

Dr. John DeGarmo, Ed.D.

International Foster Care Expert

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Today on the FSM Life Domains Webinar Series…

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Holistic Success for Youth with Experience in Foster Care

This webinar is great for:

Youth, Students, Professionals, Supportive Adults

Goals for webinar:

- Build awareness of the unique challenges faced by students with experience in foster care.
- Provide suggestions and resources for those who support students in foster care.
- Provide an understanding of ways to support students holistically on their way to and through college.

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The 7 Life Domains

An Overview

- Casey Family Programs (2006) *It's My Life* Framework
- WMU adapted framework to include education at the center
- 7 domains framework offers a way to organize, understand, and develop a response to the complexity of lived experience.

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Who is the FSM Network?

Professionals
Students
Supportive Adults

The 7 Life Domains Framework aligns the activities of the participants in the FSM Network in a mutually reinforcing way.

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Ask the Expert!

Who is considered a “supportive adult”?

How are supportive adults different from professionals?

Ask the Expert!

What can supportive adults do to help?

- Create an interdependent relationship and help youth learn how to self-advocate
  - Use person centered language
  - Be genuinely engaged
  - Be dependable

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Ask the Expert!

From the perspective of a supportive adult, which domain do you think is the most relevant? Why?

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Ask the Expert!

What domain do you see as the most challenging as a supportive adult?

What recommendations do you have to overcome these challenges?

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Ask the Expert!

Tell us about a strategic partnership you've developed to address challenges in the life domains as a supportive adult….

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Ask the Expert!

Challenges of the Identity Domain

- Often difficult to address
- Supportive adults often influence identity
  - Ways to support youth in the development of identity

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Thank you for sharing your expertise!

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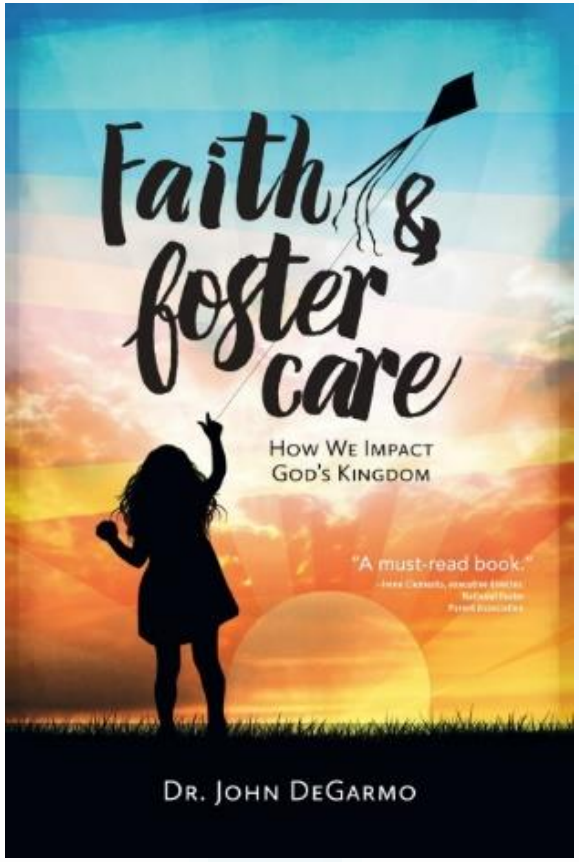

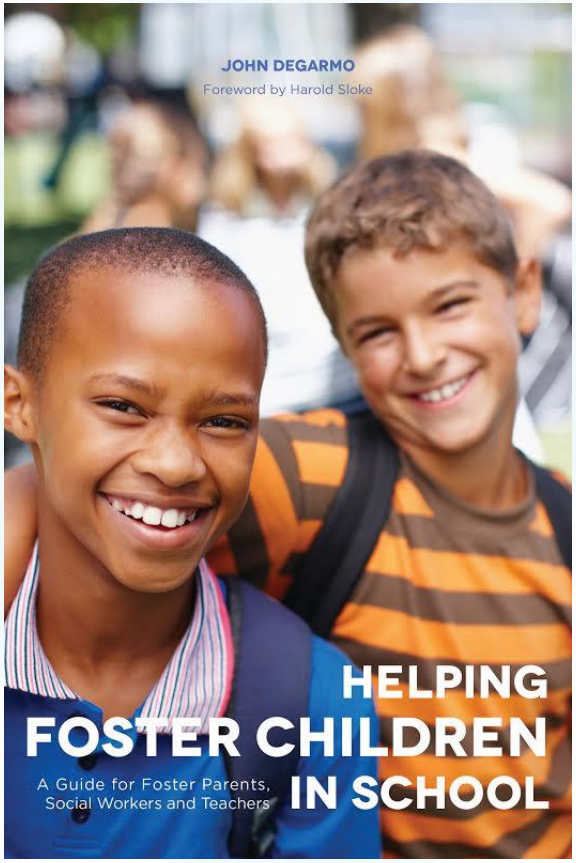

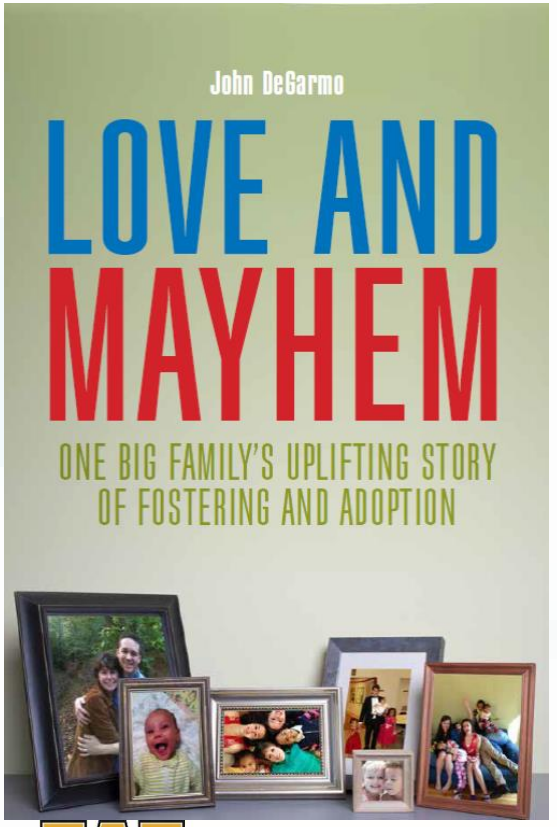

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May is Foster Care Awareness Month!

Join us for special events all throughout the month of May including:

- Mixer on the Mall: May 19th--Principle Food & Drink
- Foster Care Awareness Walk: May 20th

Did you miss a life domain activity? Catch up on all the resources we shared in our wrap up email at the end of each month!

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