Raising Your Spirited Child Registration Form

**Please return form with payment by Friday, September 29th, 2017 to:**

### Pierce County UW-Extension

**Pierce County Office Building**

**412 West Kinne Street**

**P O Box 69**

**Ellsworth, WI 54011**

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**Fee: $15.00 per individual or couple for book and workshop materials.**

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Raising Your Spirited Child

**October 3, 10 & 17, 2017**

**Pierce County Office Building**

**Lower Level Meeting Room**

*412 W. Kinne St.*

*Ellsworth, WI 54011*

**6:30 – 8:30 pm**

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Facilitated by

**Lori Zierl**

## Family Living Educator

UW-Extension, Pierce County

**Raising Your**

**Spirited Child**

The key word that distinguishes spirited children from other children is “more” – more intense, more persistent, more sensitive, and more uncomfortable with change. The spirited child can easily overwhelm parents, leaving them feeling frustrated and ineffective.

This workshop series will help dads, moms, grandparents and other caretakers:

* understand your child’s temperamental traits (and your own)
* identify cues leading up to challenging behavior
* cope with tantrums and blow-ups when they do occur
* develop strategies for reducing or eliminating power struggles (especially at mealtime, bedtime, dressing)

The workshop series will be held on three consecutive **Tuesdays** in October at the Pierce County Office Building Lower Level Meeting Rm. from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

# Oct. 3 What Makes Kids Spirited?

 **Intensity**

**Oct. 10 Persistence**

 **Sensitivity**

# Oct. 17 Perceptiveness

 **Adaptability**

HERE’S WHAT WILL BE COVERED IN EACH SESSION:

**What Makes Kids Spirited?**

Learn about temperament – your child’s first and most natural way of reacting to the world around him – his “preferred style of responding!” Once you understand the reasons behind the responses, you can learn to work with them to ease the hassles, teach new behaviors and help your child understand and like himself.

**Intensity**

Intensity is the driving force behind your child’s strong reactions. Learn how to help your children understand and appreciate the power of their intensity and to teach them how to control it instead of letting it control them.

**Persistence**

Persistence is the temperamental trait that plays a major role in power struggles. Learn how to recognize it and teach your children how to channel their persistence appropriately.

**Sensitivity**

Sensitive children become overwhelmed by the amount of stimulation and emotional stress around them. Learn how to help sensitive children monitor their reactions to stimulation and teach them how to manage their keen sensitivity in a positive and caring way.

**Perceptiveness/Distractibility**

Spirited children become distracted and confused when they are barraged with information from their senses and are unable to sort it out. They are unable to concentrate and it appears as though they are not listening. Learn to understand their perceptiveness and to teach them techniques for identifying the most important messages in their lives.

**Adaptability**

Spirited children adapt slowly to transitions. To shift gears or pass from one activity to another requires a wrenching effort on their part. Learn how to plan smooth transitions and make your child feel more competent and flexible as well as increase your confidence as a parent.