



Susan Pavelko - Director

Susan Pavelko, the director of Duck Pond Learning Center in Branford, Connecticut, is a well-respected educator and a life-long resident of Milford. She is the parent of two adult children. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Southern Connecticut State University and a master's degree in teaching with a focus on early childhood education from Sacred Heart University. She also studied primary progressive education in London.

Susan's strong commitment to advocacy for children is evident by various endeavors. Susan was the education chairwoman for the Milford Junior Woman's Club and helped organize story hour at the Milford Public Library. She is the immediate past president of the board of Kids Count, a United Way agency, a certified grant writer, and also a certified facilitator of a national program called "Motherhead". She is a frequent presenter of workshops for early childhood educators. Susan is the grant coordinator for a Discovery grant from the William Casper Graustein Memorial Fund that addresses the issues of social and emotional problems of some preschool age children. Mrs. Pavelko is also a vice president of the Shoreline Leadership Council for Early Childhood Education, and a member of the Shoreline Business League. Susan has been a classroom teacher, a remedial resource room teacher, the director of a learning center for school age children, and an education consultant.