



National Education Funding

Leadership & Professional Development Grant *For Private Preschool & Childcare Staff*

Did you know that there are government-funded grants for private preschools and childcare centers to uplevel their employees?

This is high-quality training with **no out-of-pocket costs**.

Our team of professional educators will help customize & deliver relevant training tailored to meet the needs of your staff.

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Choose a high-quality professional development training course (see session descriptions below).

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Submit your application to the grant.

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Once approved, choose

- a date
- virtual or in-person (at your campus or at our Richardson Hexa Event Center)

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PreK Professional Development Offerings

- ▶ Building PreK Instructional Leaders
- ▶ Leadership 101: An Overview of the Minimum Standards
- ▶ Lead with Intention: Child Growth & Oral-Language Development
- ▶ Fostering a Positive Learning Environment with Effective Leadership
- ▶ Implementing Age-Appropriate Curriculum through Guidance & Leadership
- ▶ Looking with a Closer Leadership Lens: Supervision & Safety Practices
- ▶ Instructional Leadership: Characteristics of a High-Quality Learning Environment

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Pre-K Session Descriptions

▶ **Building PreK Instructional Leaders**

This course empowers Pre-K instructional leaders with the knowledge, skills, and strategies needed to excel in their roles and effectively support the educational needs of young learners. Whether you're a seasoned early childhood educator or new to a leadership position in Pre-K education, this course will provide valuable insights and practical tools to enhance your leadership capabilities and positively impact student outcomes.

By the end of the course, participants will leave with a comprehensive toolkit of strategies and resources to enhance their effectiveness as Pre-K instructional leaders and positively impact student learning and development.

▶ **Leadership 101: An Overview of the Minimum Standards**

This course provides educators with an overview of the Minimum Standards for Child-Care Centers. These standards cover various aspects of childcare, including health and safety, staffing ratios, staff qualifications, physical environment, nutrition, transportation, and more. This session provides childcare administrators, educators, and stakeholders with a deep understanding of the regulatory framework governing childcare centers.

Participants will receive practical insights and tools to ensure compliance with regulations while fostering a safe, nurturing, and high-quality environment for children in their care.



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▶ **Lead with Intention: Child Growth & Oral-Language Development**

This course provides educators with the knowledge and tools to develop and enhance oral language skills. By harnessing the power of language interactions, educators can change the trajectory of learning and life experiences for young children. Participants will explore the following Language and Communication Domain skills: listening comprehension, speaking, speech production, vocabulary, and sentences and structures.

By the end of the session, participants will have a deeper understanding of the critical role of oral language in early childhood development and a toolkit of practical strategies for promoting language-rich environments and nurturing oral language skills in young children. This professional development opportunity will empower educators to create supportive learning environments that lay the foundation for future academic success and lifelong language proficiency.

▶ **Fostering a Positive Learning Environment with Effective Leadership**

This course provides educators with the techniques and tools to develop purposeful social-emotional learning (SEL) in their classrooms. Educators learn appropriate ways to encourage, establish, and grow the following skills: self-concept, self-regulation, relationships with others, and social awareness. Educators will learn age-appropriate ways to guide and teach children positively.

Participants will leave this session equipped with practical strategies and tools that they can immediately apply in their classrooms to promote positive behavior, enhance social-emotional learning, and create a nurturing and supportive learning environment for young children. This professional development opportunity will empower educators to cultivate a culture of respect, cooperation, and empathy, laying the foundation for lifelong success.

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▶ **Implementing Age-Appropriate Curriculum through Guidance & Leadership**

This course provides caregivers with the knowledge and tools to create a high-quality learning environment aligned to age-appropriate curriculum. Participants will explore the Infant to Toddler Guidelines as well as the Prekindergarten Guidelines. Join us for an overview of various curriculum and assessment resources, including the CLI Classroom Environmental Checklist.

By the end of the session, participants will have the knowledge and tools necessary to develop and implement age-appropriate curriculum that promotes holistic development and prepares young children for future academic success. This professional development opportunity will empower educators to create enriching learning environments that support the diverse needs of all learners in early childhood settings.

▶ **Looking with a Closer Leadership Lens: Supervision & Safety Practices**

This course provides caregivers and directors with the knowledge and understanding of the Child-Care Minimum Standards. Participants will examine the characteristics of a safe and healthy learning environment. Effective supervision is the key to a successful childcare center.

By the end of the session, participants will have a comprehensive understanding of effective supervision and safety practices in childcare settings, learning practical strategies for creating safe, secure, and nurturing environments for children. This professional development opportunity will empower educators to prioritize the well-being and safety of the children under their care while fostering a culture of vigilance, preparedness, and collaboration within their preschool communities.

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Instructional Leadership: Characteristics of a High-Quality Learning Environment

This course provides educators with the knowledge and understanding of the key components of a high-quality prekindergarten classroom. Participants will examine characteristics of the learning environment that contribute to high-quality prekindergarten programs. The Classroom Environment Checklist provides early childhood educators the opportunity to self-evaluate their learning environment(s) and take actionable steps to enhance their existing practices.

By the end of the session, participants will leave with practical tools, strategies, and insights to create and sustain high-quality learning environments that nurture the whole child and lay the foundation for lifelong learning and success. This professional development opportunity will empower early childhood educators to cultivate dynamic, engaging, and inclusive spaces where every child can thrive and reach their full potential.

