



October 2021 Professional Development Opportunities

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DATE	TIME	TOPIC	LOCATION	COST
Tuesday October 5	6:30-7:30 P.M.	<i>Good Teachers Matter! Five Choices that Raise ECE Quality and Value</i>	All sessions are online this month. Register on GaPDS.	All sessions are FREE this month!
Wednesday October 6	1:00-2:00 P.M.	<i>On TRACK with Art I</i>		
Thursday October 7	6:30-7:30 P.M.	<i>Online Version – Lesson Planning with Purpose: Linking GELDS & Learning</i>		
Tuesday October 12	6:30-7:30 P.M.	<i>Teaching When Talking is Tough Module 1: Defining Dual Language Learners</i>		
	7:30-8:30 P.M.	<i>Teaching When Talking is Tough Module 2: Dual Language Development</i>		
Thursday October 14	6:30-7:30 P.M.	<i>Online Edition – Ready to Learn! Setting the Stage for Active Engagement</i>		
Tuesday October 19	6:30-7:30 P.M.	<i>Teaching When Talking is Tough Module 3: Impact of Home Language on English Language Development</i>		
	7:30-8:30 P.M.	<i>Teaching When Talking is Tough Module 4: DLL School Readiness</i>		
Wednesday October 20	1:00-2:00 P.M.	<i>Online Edition: On TRACK with Center Play</i>		
Thursday October 21	6:30-8:30 P.M.	<i>Helping Children Bounce Back: Childhood Trauma and Resilience</i>		
Tuesday October 26	1:00-2:00 P.M.	<i>Group Play: Essentials for the Preschool Classroom. Part of the Power Up! Training Series</i>		
Wednesday October 27	1:00-2:00 P.M.	<i>On TRACK with Music I</i>		

Child Care Training Descriptions for October 2021

Good Teachers Matter! Five Decisions that Raise ECE Quality and Value

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE6.1, ECE6.2

This interactive training will encourage and energize early learning professionals by helping them realize the powerful impact they make every day and the simple practices that raise quality and increase impact.

On TRACK with Art I

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 5.6

This introduction to visual arts in the ECE setting will equip and motivate teachers to engage children through practical and educational creative expression and discovery experiences.

Online Version - Lesson Planning with Purpose: Linking GELDS & Learning

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 4.2, 5.1

Participants will sharpen their skills in lesson planning and documentation to support the needs of their children and to align with the Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards (GELDS).

Teaching When Talking is Tough Series

1 Credit Hour, each

Module 1: Defining Dual Language Learners

Competency: ECE1.1, ADM-9

This training will provide participants the opportunity to learn more about the unique characteristics of dual language learners.

Module 2: DLL Language Development

Competency: ECE1.2, ADM-2

Participants will be aware of the importance of sociological context in early English language and literacy development in the early childhood setting.

Module 3: Impact of Home Language on English Language Development

Competency: ECE1.2, ADM-7

Participants will explore the role of home language in early English language and literacy development.

Module 4: DLL School Readiness

Competency: ECE1.3, ADM-9

Participants will understand why DLL language development is crucial for school readiness.

Online Edition - Ready to Learn! Setting the Stage for Active Engagement

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 1.1, 4.1, 4.3

This training explores the core components of supporting a child in becoming actively engaged. Active Engagement is often confused with other things, like being obedient, compliant, or cooperative. But it's much more than that. When a child is actively engaged, that child is tuned-in to what is happening and open to creativity, exploring, learning, to all sorts of possibilities.

Online Edition: On TRACK with Center Play

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 1.3, 4.1, 4.3

This introduction to center play in the ECE setting will equip and motivate teachers to engage children through practical and educational discovery experiences. Participants will consider how to prepare centers for child engagement, and the teacher's role throughout center play.

Helping Children Bounce Back: Childhood Trauma and Resilience

2 Credit Hours

Competency: ECE 1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1

Participants will learn that trauma is a common experience in most children's lives and how to use developmentally appropriate teaching strategies to help children learn how to cope with stress and develop resiliency skills.

Group Play: Essentials for the Preschool Classroom.

1 Credit Hour

Part of the Power Up! Training Series

Competency: ECE 4.3, 5.3

Improving quality in the classroom doesn't have to be complicated. Making small improvements and changes can have big results. Focusing on large group play with 3 – 5 year old children, this training will share some tools, tips, and resources to help teacher do more with less effort, while at the same time improving the quality of their efforts and increasing positive outcomes for the children.

On TRACK with Music I

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 4.3, 5.6

Participants will be introduced to the advantages of using music within the Early Childhood Education experience to introduce and support learning, both concepts and behaviors.

*All trainings are **Online Only** at this time. Each participant must log on to a **separate** computer or via the Zoom smartphone app in order to be eligible for training credit.

*Due to GaPDS guidelines, **we cannot give credit for participation in the following situations:**

- those who may be observing with someone else on a shared screen
- those who use their phone for audio when logged into the training via computer
- those who arrive significantly late, leave early, and/or do not participate in the training

Training Registration & Policy Details

Free Online Training Registration

1. Log in to your GaPDS account at <https://gapds.dec.state.ga.us/>
2. Choose "Trainings\Find Scheduled Training Sessions" and search for training title. If you encounter any issues, direct links to each training can be found on the Leap Early Learning Partners event calendar at: <https://leapccrr.org/events/>
3. Register for selected training session.
4. You will receive confirmation and reminder emails from GaPDS.
5. You will receive an email from Leap Professional Development with a link to log in to the training.
6. Join us at the training!

Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration will be closed when capacity is reached.

Since we are still limited to providing professional development opportunities virtually, we've provided some simple tips on our [website professional development page](#) to help make the virtual learning experience as positive and productive as possible.

Additional Training Opportunities

In addition to trainings offered by Leap Early Learning Partners, there are many approved trainers and trainings available around the state. The [Georgia Professional Development System for Early Childhood Educators](#) maintains a searchable database of every approved trainer and training and is the definitive source for statewide training opportunities.

[Read Right from the Start](#) (Rollins Center for Language & Literacy) also offers free online courses for Bright from the Start credit. To access and download the Post Training Plans for the Read Right from the Start trainings, please visit our downloads page at <https://leapccrr.org/downloads>.

Following are links to some common training requests:

Health and Safety Orientation:

- [Child Care Education Institute](#)
- [ProSolutions Training](#)
- [PennState Extension Better Kid Care](#)

Safe Sleep:

- [ProSolutions Training](#)

Transportation Safety:

- [ProSolutions Training](#)

Caregiver Fire Safety Training:

- [Office of Commissioner of Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner](#)

Social/Emotional Development:

- [DECAL SEEDS Webinar Series](#)

Did you know?

The Technical College System of Georgia offers a variety of Technical Certificates of Credit (TCCs) in field-related topics such as Child Development, ECE Basics, ECE Exceptionalities, and ECE Program Administration. Find available programs [HERE!](#)

Find financial support options at [DECAL Scholars](#).



Starting this month!
Stay tuned to our Facebook page and/or our online training calendar at <https://leapccrr.org/events/>

Our team has spent the past year developing this new training series for all child care providers working hard to provide high quality experiences for children in their programs.

You value your time. We made them 1-hour each.

You want reliable information. We based them on rules, ERS tools and best practices.

You deserve training that works for you. We differentiated for age groups and settings.

You need information you can use. We included tips and techniques that work.

You are not alone! We are here for you!



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