



Training Calendar June 2023

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DATE	TIME	TOPIC	LOCATION	COST
Thursday June 1	1:00-2:00 PM	Good Teachers Matter! Five Choices that Raise ECE Quality and Value	All sessions are online this month. Register on GaPDS.	All sessions are FREE this month!
Tuesday June 6	6:30-7:30 PM	On TRACK with Blocks I		
Wednesday June 7	4:00-5:00 PM	POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Infant and Toddler Classrooms		
Thursday June 8	9:00 AM-12:00 PM	Strengthening Business Practices Module 4: Recruiting and Retaining Staff for Center-Based Child Care Providers		
Tuesday June 13	1:00-2:00 PM	On TRACK with Art I		
Wednesday June 14	4:00-5:00 PM	POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Preschool Classroom		
Wednesday June 21	4:00-5:00 PM	RECHARGE-Boosting Teacher Well-Being: Introduction to Burnout and Secondary Traumatic Stress		
Thursday June 22	1:00-2:00 PM	Emotional Regulation Chapter 1, Introduction and Relationships		
Tuesday June 27	6:30-8:00 PM	Healthy Habits: Well-Being for Our Bodies		
Wednesday June 28	4:00-5:30 PM	RECHARGE-Boosting Teacher Well-Being: Encouraging Environments		
Thursday June 29	1:00-2:00 PM	Emotional Regulation Chapter 2, Environments		

Child Care Training Descriptions for June 2023

Good Teachers Matter! Five Choices that Raise ECE Quality and Value 1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 6.1, 6.2

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 Blocks I 1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 5.4

This introduction to block play in the ECE setting will equip and motivate teachers to engage children through practical and educational experiences.

POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Infant and Toddler Classrooms 1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 4.3

Free play is an essential part of each day for infants and toddlers. This training offers participants the opportunity to reflect on their current practice and explore ways to support the play and development of children in their care by continuous quality improvement.

Strengthening Business Practices Module 4: Recruiting and Retaining Staff for Center-Based Child Care Providers 3 Credit Hours

Competency: ADM-4

The content and activities of this training module are designed to increase providers' knowledge in these topics:

- Understand best practices related to recruiting, interviewing, and hiring new employees.
- Have a framework for building an effective orientation plan for new employees.
- Be familiar with the components of a staff handbook.
- Identify strategies for providing feedback to employees.

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.

POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Preschool Classroom 1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 4.3

Free play is an essential part of each day in center-based child care. This training offers participants the opportunity to reflect on their current practice and explore ways to support the play and development of children in their care by continuous quality improvement.

RECHARGE-Boosting Teacher Well-Being: Introduction to Burnout and Secondary Traumatic Stress 1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 6.1, 6.2

This training introduces a set of resources and a training series focused on helping ECE Professionals find the resources they need to learn to live healthy lives while continuing to provide quality care and learning experiences.

Emotional Regulation Chapter 1, Introduction and Relationships

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 4.1

This highly interactive training will help professionals understand the development of emotional regulation in young children and the importance of laying a relational foundation as the first steps of teaching emotional regulation skills.

Healthy Habits: Well-Being for Our Bodies

1.5 Credit Hours

Competency: ECE 1.4, 2.3, 5.2, 6.2

Feel your best through small steps that lead to healthy habits.

RECHARGE - Boosting Teacher Well-Being: Encouraging Environments

1.5 Credit Hours

Competency: ECE 6.1, 6.2; ADM-1

Creating a positive and productive work environment is a team effort. This training discusses the importance of the work environment for both employer and employee, and then progresses to arm participants with some strategies to support developing that where they work every day.

Emotional Regulation Chapter 2, Environments

1 Credit Hour

Competency: ECE 1.4

This highly interactive training will help professionals understand how the environment can impact the development of emotional regulation in young children and the importance of intentionally designing positive class conditions.

**All trainings are online only at this time - available using Zoom.*

**Please carefully review our Attendance Policy to ensure successful completion of trainings.*

Leap Training Coming to a Location Near You! Can You Help Us Get There?

How do you feel about virtual training? Around Leap, we love it, *and* we're ready for a change! We'll continue to offer some virtual trainings, but we also want to rekindle those great in-person training experiences that have become too rare over these past two years.



In the past, many of our training locations were identified through the help of early learning professionals across the region, and we need your help again. We're looking for locations that can hold 25 or more adults with adult-sized tables and chairs and ample parking for a Saturday training, and maybe some weeknight evenings too.

If you have any suggestions or tips, please consider sending us an email at leaptraining@augusta.edu. We'd be grateful for any help you can provide.

Need a Boost? Introducing our New Well-Being Campaign - RECHARGE!

What:

RECHARGE is a professional development campaign comprising of curated and created resources aimed at supporting Early Learning Professionals and their work.

Why:

Early childhood education is good work, and it is hard work. We think Shulman (2004) sums it up well:

*After 30 years of doing such work, I have concluded that classroom teaching...is perhaps the most complex, most challenging, and most demanding, subtle, nuanced, and frightening activity that our species has ever invented... The only time a physician could possibly encounter a situation of comparable complexity would be in the emergency room of a hospital during or after a natural disaster.**

We think children and their families are very important, and those that commit to serving children and families every day deserve everything we can give them to be healthy, feel encouraged, continue growing, and stay focused on great goals!

Where:

<https://leapccrr.org/boosting-teacher-well-being>

*Shulman, L. (2004). *The Wisdom of Practice: Essays on Teaching, Learning, and Learning to Teach*. San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.



How:

Reviewing the research and work of experts on burnout, we identified eight essentials to supporting our well-being and combating burnout:

Reality Check

Emotional Empowerment

Control and Commitments

Healthy Habits

Affirming Allies

Rewarding Recreation

Growth Mindset

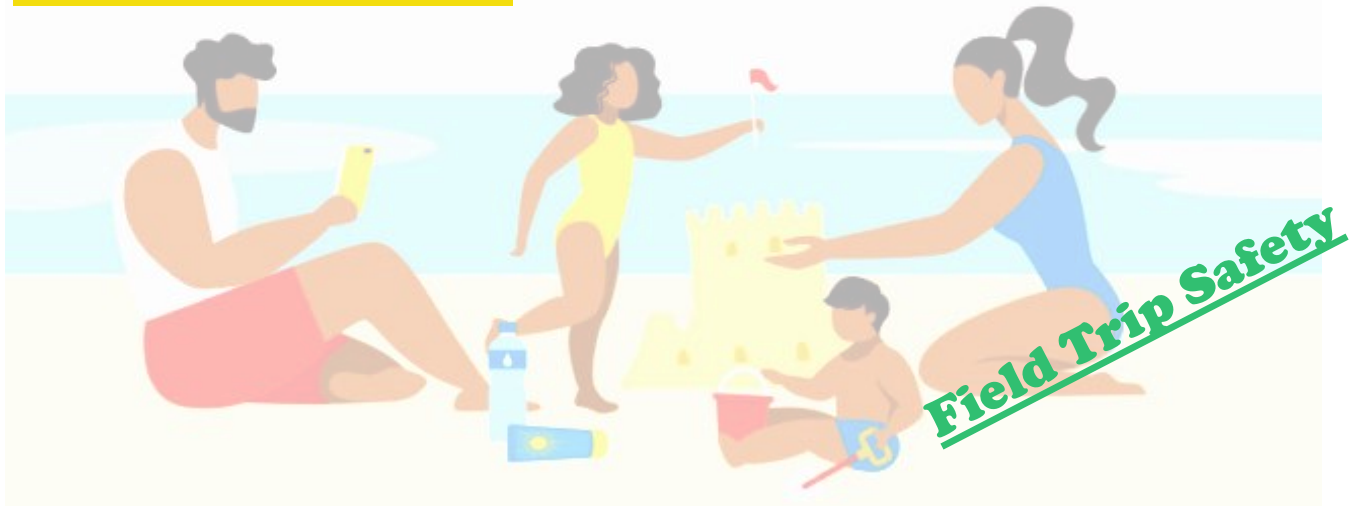
Encouraging Environments

Visit the RECHARGE webpage and follow links to each topic where you'll find some great tips and tools to help take care of you so you can take care of others.



**Summer Safety
Tips for Kids**

Playground Safety



Training Registration & Policy Details

Free Online Training Registration

1. Log in to your GaPDS account at <https://gapds.dec.al.ga.gov/>.
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 one day prior with a link to log into the training.
6. Join us at the training!

Registration closes 24 hours ahead of the training.

Attendance Policy - Online Trainings

In order to receive credit for state-approved training with Leap Early Learning Partners, please observe the following requirements:

- Participants must arrive within first 10 minutes of one-hour trainings and within first 15 minutes of two-hour trainings.
- Within a few minutes of arrival, participants must use the chat feature to sign-in using their name, as it is listed in GaPDS, and directing their chat to “Everyone”.
- Participants must be able to see and hear the presentation.
- Participants must use chat to sign-out with their name to “Everyone” before leaving.

One participant per device (phone, tablet, laptop, or computer) provides the best experience for the participant and the easiest way to confirm attendance for Leap. In cases where multiple participants must use one device, we may ask participants, via chat and/or email, for additional confirmation of attendance. This confirmation could include, but is not limited to, a live webcam view, time-stamped photos of the group in the training, and/or signed and emailed documentation that could include a roster signed by training participants at the site and/or a signed statement confirming participant attendance from a program leader present for the training or a member of the group serving as the designated program leadership representative.

If you have any questions, concerns, or challenges, you may contact leaptraining@augusta.edu.

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>.



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