



April 2025 Training Calendar

DATE	TIME	TOPIC	LOCATION	COST
Tuesday April 1 st	6:30 – 7:30	POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Infant and Toddler Classrooms	All sessions are online this month Register at GaPDS	All sessions are FREE this month!
Thursday April 3 rd	1:00 – 3:00	Helping Children Bounce Back: Childhood Trauma and Resilience		
Saturday April 5 th	9:00 – 10:00	POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for Family Child Care Providers		
	10:00 – 11:00	POWER Up! Group Time Play Essentials for Family Child Care		
Tuesday April 8 th	6:30 – 7:30	POWER Up! Group Play Essentials for the Toddler		
Thursday April 10 th	1:00 – 2:00	RECHARGE: Growth Mindset		
Tuesday April 15 th	6:30 – 7:30	POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Preschool Classroom		
Tuesday April 22 nd	6:30 – 7:30	POWER Up! Group Play Essentials for the Preschool Classroom		
Thursday April 24 th	1:00 – 2:30	RECHARGE: Healthy Habits—Well-Being for Our Bodies		

Carefully review our Attendance Policy to ensure successful completion of trainings.

Training Descriptions for April 2025

<p>POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Infant and Toddler Classrooms 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.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>Helping Children Bounce Back: Childhood Trauma and Resilience 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</p>	2 Credit Hours
<p>POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for Family Child Care Providers 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.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>POWER Up! Group Time Play Essentials for Family Child Care Competency: ECE 1.3, 4.3 Improving the quality of care in the classroom doesn’t have to be complicated. Making small improvements and changes can have big results. Focusing on large group play for multi-age children, this training will share some tools, tips, and resources to help teachers do more with less effort, while at the same time improving the quality for their efforts and increasing positive outcomes for the children.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>POWER Up! Group Play Essentials for the Toddler Classroom Competency: ECE 4.3, 5.3 Group 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.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>RECHARGE: Growth Mindset Competency: ECE 5.4, 6.2 This highly interactive and practical training will guide professionals as they explore and develop a growth mindset perspective and approach which lead to improved well-being for themselves and their young learners.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>POWER Up! Free Play Essentials for the Preschool Classroom 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.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>POWER Up! Group Play Essentials for the Preschool Classroom 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 teachers do more with less effort, while at the same time improving the quality of their efforts and increasing positive outcomes for the children.</p>	1 Credit Hour
<p>RECHARGE: Healthy Habits—Well-Being for Our Bodies Competency: ECE 1.4, 2.3, 5.2, 6.2 Feel your best through small steps that lead to healthy habits.</p>	1.5 Credit Hours

Training Registration Policy and Details

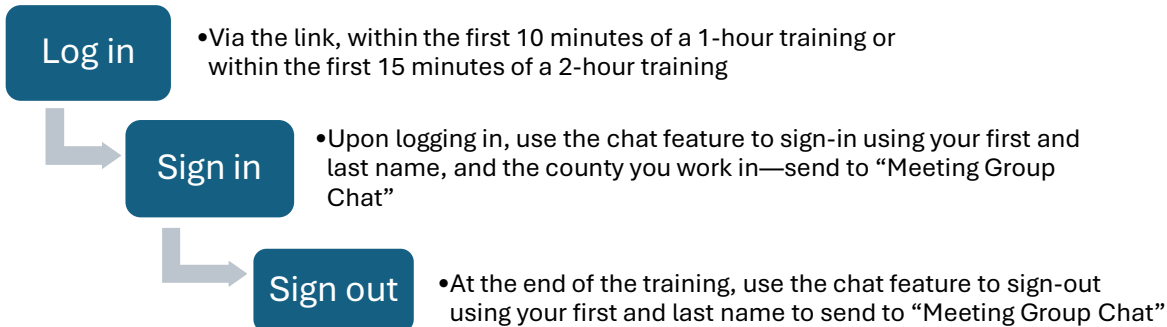
Free Online Training Registration

1. Log in to your GaPDS account at <https://gapds.decal.ga.gov/Login.aspx>
2. Choose “*Trainings/Find Scheduled Training Sessions*”
 - a. Search for the training title as listed in the Training Calendar.
3. Register for selected training session.
4. You will receive confirmation and reminder emails from GaPDS.
5. You will receive an email from leaptraining@augusta.edu one day prior to the training with a link to the training.
6. The day of the training, click the link to join us!

Registration closes 24-hours ahead of the training.

Attendance Policy—Online Trainings

To receive credit for state-approved training with Leap Early Learning Partners, please follow these simple requirements:



You must be able to see and hear the presentation—participation is key to learning!

One participant per device provides the best experience for the learner and the easiest way to confirm attendance. In cases where multiple learners must use one device, we may ask for additional attendance confirmation via chat and/or email. This could include but is not limited to a live webcam view, time stamped photos of the group in the training, and/or signed statement confirming the learner’s attendance from a program leader that was present for the training or a member of the group serving as the program leadership representative.

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

Additional Training Opportunities

In addition to trainings offered by Leap Early Learning Partners, there are many approved trainers and trainings throughout the state. The Georgia Professional Development System for Early Childhood Educators maintains a database of all approved trainings and trainers—this is the definitive source for statewide training opportunities.

[Cox Campus](#) also offers free online courses for Bright from the Start credit. To access and download Post Training Plans for these trainings, please visit our downloads page at leapccrr.org/downloads.



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