

Brain Building and Early Literacy and Numeracy: Strategies and Supports for Young Children (Birth to 8)

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Social-Emotional Development

The Social-Emotional Development strand of this professional development opportunity recognizes that children's social-emotional growth is critical to their learning and overall development. The presentations in this strand will deliver content, strategies and approaches that:

- Help educators construct an effective learning environment that promotes positive social-emotional growth and is developmentally appropriate.
- Provide opportunities to share best practices that foster socialemotional learning and the development of self-regulatory skills and give an overview of the relevant models/curriculum related to this work.
- Explore effective techniques to aid key transitions (both during the school day and between grades and/or systems).

Literacy

Expanding vocabulary in the early years is a key to literacy, reading, knowledge of the world, and a love of reading. This presentation will promote an understanding of the importance of oral language development; review the research on oral language development; and make a connection with the 2011 standards.

Numeracy

In this strand participants will learn how the development from early number to place value concepts is embedded in concrete experiences in the classroom. We will engage in hands-on activities that can be brought back to the classroom.

Family and Community Engagement

Family and community engagement is a *shared responsibility* that brings early childhood providers, schools, and community organizations together to engage families in culturally and linguistically sensitive ways. This professional development opportunity will emphasize evidence-based content, strategies, and approaches that providers can use to build positive relationships with families and support parents as the coproducers of good outcomes for their children. Participants will learn how culturally and linguistically sensitive family and community engagement in support of children's learning and development can be carried out everywhere children learn and take place across a student's life.

Leadership and Professional Development

This facilitated session is focused on leadership that can prompt self-reflection and self-assessment for the purpose of professional planning and development. A second purpose is to focus on the importance of networking across different settings in the early childhood system for the purpose of easing and aligning transitions.



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Event Locations

All events are from 11:30 AM to 6:00 PM

Thursday, November 17, 2011, Boston Convention Center

415 Summer Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02210 617-954-2000

Registration: Region6eps.bostonabcd.org Tel: (617) 348-6314

For directions and parking information: http://www.mccahome.com/bcec_dir.html

Friday, November 18, 2011, DCU Center, Worcester

50 Foster Street, Worcester, MA 01608 508-755-6800

Registration: Email: mail@cccfscm.org Tel: (508) 757-1503 ext. 216

For directions and parking information:

http://www.dcucenter.com/directionsandtransportation.php

Saturday, November 19, 2011, Westfield State University

577 Western Avenue, Westfield MA 01086 413 -572-5218

Registration: chutcheson@preschoolenrichmentteam.org 413-736-3600 x105

For directions and parking information: http://www.westfield.ma.edu/map-directions



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| Con | ference Location | (pick on | ly one): | |
| ☐ Boston | ☐ Worcester | | | |
| Scholarships available! For of Early Education and Care | • | | rt Pam Roux, Massachusetts Department Pam.Roux@state.ma.us | |











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