Building Your Blueprint for Behavior

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FREE Professional Development for EC and ECSE Teachers, Educational Assistants, Paraprofessionals, Related Service Providers, and Leaders working in and supporting 3-5 year-old classrooms.

Session Information

Design your day! Choose two 90-minute sessions. Sessions repeat AM and PM.

Building Trauma-Informed Relationships with Young Children

Build your understanding of how trauma can impact a child's development and decisions. Learn the trauma- informed factors to consider when planning to support children ages 3-5. Presenter: Tracy Schreifels

Creating Nature-Based Spaces in Urban/Suburban Settings

Reflect on how you define nature and it's relationship with social-emotional learning. Follow one teacher's journey outside the 'traditional early learning classroom' box. Create a plan for opportunities and spaces where children can begin meaningful interactions with nature, with each other, and with child-directed learning —no matter your location! Presenter: Alaina Zapata

Drafting Your De-Escalation Plan for Challenging Behavior

Prepare for the escalation cycle, identify teachable moments, and increase your awareness of evidence-based practices to help children calm down as you handle challenging behavior in the moment.

Presenter: Jen Purkat

Putting 'The Big 5 Essential Practices' into Your Blueprint

Explore classroom-wide prevention strategies, reflect on your current use of 'The Big 5 Essential Practices', and create a plan to add these strategies into your classroom's daily routines. Presenter: Laurie Dube

Keynote Information

Don't miss this virtual learning opportunity right after lunch!

Framing Cultural Considerations When Teaming with Families Around Challenging Behavior

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9:00-3:00 (lunch on your own)
Doors open at 8:30!
Door prizes all day!

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