

*Providing professional development
to enhance the quality of care and
education for young children
throughout Arkansas*

Early Care & Education Projects [ECEP] in conjunction with the Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education provides twelve statewide training programs for early educators. ECEP strives to provide the most up-to-date training possible. More than 200 trainers around the state deliver courses in a variety of locations including child care centers, public schools, vocational centers, technical institutes, community colleges and other postsecondary education facilities.



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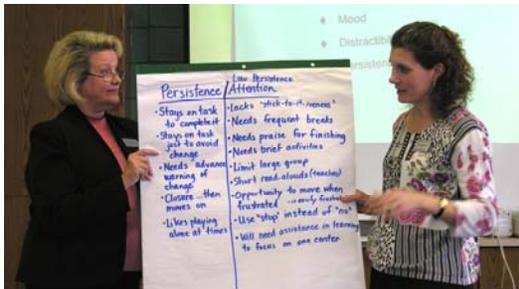
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Early Care & Education Project training offers:

- ▶ Free specialized training.
- ▶ Free participant manual and/or other materials.
- ▶ Opportunity for professional development.
- ▶ Interaction with other early care and education professionals.
- ▶ A certificate of completion.
- ▶ Continuing Education Units (CEUs).
- ▶ TAPP registered and approved training.
- ▶ Arkansas Department of Education assurance numbers for Pre-K ELLA, INDEX, Pre-K FH, and Pre-K SEL.



Courses Offered

Child Care Orientation Training [CCOT] – Provides basic orientation training for child care workers and covers the following topics: Early Care and Education as a Profession, Best Practice for the Developing Child, Children’s Health, Children’s Safety, and Guiding Children. (1.0 CEU - 10 clock hours)



Family Child Care Provider [FCCP] – Provides basic orientation training for family child care providers. It is required for newly licensed and registered providers within the first six months of being licensed or registered. It is also useful for providers who would like a refresher course in the basics of family child care. (0.8 CEU - 8 clock hours)



Caregiver Certificate [CC] – Offers a variety of specialized professional development training. A Caregiver Certificate is awarded upon completion of all six courses. (1.5 CEUs - 15 clock hours each)

- ▶ **Child Development: Birth to Three**
- ▶ **Child Development: Three to Five**
- ▶ **Child Development: Five to Eight**
- ▶ **Creative Activities**
- ▶ **Guidance & Behavior Management**
- ▶ **Health & Safety**



Pre-K Early Literacy Learning in Arkansas [Pre-K ELLA]* – Provides skills and resources to early childhood educators to help them deliver balanced literacy opportunities which provide a strong literacy foundation for school and life success to young children in Arkansas. (3.0 CEUs - 30 clock hours)



Pre-K Framework Handbook [Pre-K FH]* – Equips early childhood professionals in the use of the Arkansas Early Childhood Education (AECE) Framework Handbook. (3.0 CEUs - 30 clock hours)



Pre-K Social-Emotional Learning [Pre-K SEL] – Provides teachers of three to five year olds knowledge and skills to build warm relationships with children, parents and coworkers; create positive and productive classroom climates; prevent challenging behavior; manage disruptive behavior and teach children new skills so they enter kindergarten ready to learn. (4.5 CEUs - 45 clock hours)



INDEX: Math and Science for Young Children – Provides teachers of three to five year olds with an interactive learning experience focused on how young children learn, math and science concepts appropriate for young children, and the application of math and science concepts through in-depth studies of interesting topics. (3.0 CEUs - 30 clock hours, administered by ASU, also taught by ECEP)



*Honeycutt (2008) determined those Arkansas ABC teachers who attended Pre-K ELLA and Pre-K FH training had higher ECERS-R scores than those who did not attend.