Overview

Program Objectives
Courses are competency/mastery based and are designed for practical learning, application, collaboration, and reflection. As a result of completing our professional learning courses, participants will develop the following competencies:

Preschool Language Development
Children develop strong language skills when they are surrounded by rich conversations and vocabulary. In this course, participants explore language development in young children and learn evidence-based strategies for helping children develop language skills and extend their vocabulary knowledge.

Learning Outcomes for Participants
- Use open-ended questions with children
- Extend child responses
- Use advanced language (vocabulary development)
- Prompt thought processes
- Use self- and parallel talk
- Encouraging peer conversations
- Support children with special needs and dual language learners

Instructional Support in Preschool: Quality of Feedback
In this course, participants learn more about the importance of providing quality feedback and explore simple ways to make everyday interactions with children more beneficial for children.

Learning Outcomes for Participants
- Scaffold Learning
- Encourage Feedback Loops to Sustain Conversations
- Prompt Thought Processes
- Expand Children's Understanding
- Use Encouragement to Provide Specific Feedback