



Professional Development Newsletter



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Early Childhood Education during COVID-19

Early Childhood Educators,

The professional development team at ELCMC is excited to kickoff our monthly newsletter. We will be presenting professional development opportunities and resources to support all areas related to early childhood education.

It is our mission here at the Early Learning Coalition of Marion County to provide leadership and foster partnerships to optimize a quality early learning environment for our children through childcare, voluntary pre-kindergarten and parent education. With that in mind we are working to help provide the resources you need to serve the families of our community with quality childcare.

Due to COVID-19 the majority of trainings and conferences have been postponed, cancelled or changed to a virtual platform. We are aware that there may be a need for early childhood educators to acquire in-service hours to complete yearly obligations. We have compiled a list of suggested websites; all of which can be used to satisfy DCF In-Service training requirements.

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Virtual Professional Development Resources

Note: Click on titles to connect to related sites (Titles are Hyperlinks)

DCF Training Resources

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-care/training.shtml>

- Online training
- Low cost
- Gives both in-service hours & CEU's
- Offers CDA credentials



COX Campus

<http://www.coxcampus.org/>

- Online training
- 100% Free courses
- Tons of training topics
- Offers in-service hours
- Free classroom resources, lesson plans and activities

The Care Courses School

<https://www.carecourses.com/PublicPages/Home.aspx>

- Courses/trainings by mail or online
- Costs may vary depending on course(s)
- Unlimited Free support & shipping
- Offers In-Service Hours and CEU's
- CDA and NAC Credentials

Early Learning Florida

<https://www.earlylearningflorida.com>

- Courses available online by semester
- 100% Free
- Free unlimited support
- Offers CEU's and In-Service Hours
- Offers CDA Credentialing training
- Note: registration for Summer courses are as follows:

Summer 2020 Term A

- Already in session

Summer 2020 Term B

- Term Dates: June 15 – August 16, 2020
- Registration: June 1 – June

Webinars provide great information on current popular topics & In-Service hours.

A few providers include:



<https://www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com/>



[edWeb.net](https://www.edweb.net)

Professional Development Reimbursement

Marion County early childhood professionals can request reimbursement of registration fees up to \$300 per fiscal year for attending and satisfactory completion of professional development opportunities.

- [View the full professional development reimbursement policy.](#)
- [Professional Development Request for Reimbursement Form](#)

OEL Mini-professional Development Grant

OEL PG 240.20 App A Disaster Costs – Prof Development Stipend

- [Early Learning Provider Teacher Eligibility Form](#)
- [OEL Online Training List 4-15-2020](#)

Teaching Strategies Gold Training Webinar

- [TS Gold training webinar to cover Intro to TS-Gold and Inter-rater Reliability training](#)
- [June 13th 8:30 A.M. first available](#)

Please reach out to the professional development team with any questions and if you would like to attend the training webinar.

If you have any questions regarding training classes or other professional development opportunities, please feel free to contact us at:

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Take Five Corner

As care givers we tend to spend most of our days putting the needs of others before our own. Which is just part of what makes care givers so amazing. While it is normal to feel exhausted from time to time. It is also a sign to slow down; give ourselves some time for rest and reflection. This section of the newsletter is dedicated to offering resources to fill that need to balance ourselves so we can strive to be our healthy best.

De-Stress Links

- [5 Minute Meditation](#)
- [Stress Relief Aromatherapy Candles](#)
- [Dance The Blues Away](#)



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