

May/June 2016

Institute for Early Learning

Professional Development and Training in Early Care and Education

Registration for May/June 2016 classes begins Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.



The Institute for Early Learning facilitates professional development of individuals working with young children through responsive educational opportunities related to early care and learning.

Fairfax County Office for Children
Office for Children – Institute for Early Learning
Fairfax County Dept. of Family Services
12011 Government Center Parkway, Ste. 920
Fairfax, Virginia 22035-1102



A recorded message will be available at 703-324-3044 if a class has been cancelled due to an emergency situation or inclement weather.

Cancellations

- **Online** www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofc 703-324-4018
- **Automated Phone** 703-324-4018
- **Fax** 703-803-0116
- **Mail** Office for Children
12011 Government Center Pkwy.
Ste. 920
Fairfax, VA 22035

Registration Form

Child care professionals may register:

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Registration ID	First Name	Last Name
Home Address	City	ZIP code
Phone	Email	
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1606-03 Creative Movement for Preschoolers
Explore creative ways to engage preschool children in active and fun movement experiences. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Mondays, May 2 and 9
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS202**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1588-02 Kitchen Science for School-Age Children
Expand children's knowledge of science by exploring discoveries that can be made using common kitchen ingredients. This course focuses on school-age experiences. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Tuesdays, May 3 and 10
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1658-03 Art for Preschoolers: Weaving
Explore ways to use common materials as the base for creative weaving experiences. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Wednesdays, May 4 and 11
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1664-01 Supporting Social-Emotional Competencies in Young Children
Learn about the importance of social-emotional competencies while developing practical strategies to support children's growth and development. (CDA Areas 2, 3, 4, 7, 8)
Thursdays, May 5, 12 and 26, 7 – 9 p.m. and Saturday, June 4, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Thursdays, June 9, 16 and 23, 7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS213**
Six 2-hour classes plus one 4-hour class for 16 hours credit

1662-01 Stress and the Environment
Learn to evaluate conditions such as lighting, sound, color, materials, furnishings and arrangements to understand how the environment can contribute to creating stress in young children's lives. (CDA Areas 1, 2, 3)
Thursdays, May 5, 12 and 19
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS211**
Three 2-hour classes for 6 hours credit

1328-02 Sensory Tables
Participate in sensory table activities that encourage young children to explore and learn. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Saturday, May 7
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1663-01 "Let's Try It Out"
Join Nicole Fauteux, author of the "Let's Try It Out" book series, to discover hands-on science experiences that encourage children to explore the world around them as they play. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Saturday, May 14
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.
Location: **MS211**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1480-02 The Kitchen Band is Playing
Explore research related to the importance of music while discovering ways to make instruments using common household materials. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Mondays, May 16 and 23
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1577-02 Providing Emotional Support for Young Children
Learn how to establish a positive learning climate that creates a sense of trust and security for young learners. (CDA Area 3)
Tuesdays, May 17 and 24
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: **KTL**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1564-02 Happiness Matters
Explore strategies to create happiness and success throughout the day in early learning programs. (CDA Area 3)
Tuesdays, May 17 and 24
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS213**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1559-02 Building Engineering Skills
Discover how young children are natural engineers by engaging in hands-on construction experiences. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Tuesdays, May 17, 24 and 31
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS211**
Three 2-hour classes for 6 hours credit

1535-01 Outdoor Play Every Day: Summer
Explore outdoor play during the summer while discussing ways to bring nature inside to extend the experience. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Saturday, May 21
9 a.m. – noon
Location: **HONC**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1567-03 Little Picassos – Fun Ways to Paint
Discover unusual, inexpensive and fun ways to help children put paint to paper. Please come dressed to paint. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Wednesday, May 25
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1592-02 Connecting Learning and Play
Discuss the importance of play in early childhood and explore ways to balance learning experiences with children's interests. (CDA Areas 1, 2, 3)
Thursdays, May 26 and June 2
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS211**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1566-01 It's All About the Book
Explore ways to make children's favorite books come alive through a variety of activities. (CDA Areas 1, 2)
Tuesday, May 31
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS213**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1670-01 Calming Conversations
Explore strategies to help young children understand intense emotions by learning to connect in a calm way. (CDA Area 3)
Tuesday, May 31
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: **WWL**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1622-01 Process-Oriented Art for Preschool Children
Discover art experiences that engage preschool children in expressing individual creativity while focusing on the process of exploration. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Saturday, June 4
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1379-02 Kitchen Science for Preschoolers
Explore science discoveries that can be made using common kitchen ingredients. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Mondays, June 6 and 13
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1667-01 Incorporating Nature into Daily Activities
Discover the many ways that nature can be incorporated into everyday early learning experiences. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Tuesday, June 7
9 a.m. – noon
Location: **HONC**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1604-02 Art for Preschoolers: Clay
Learn about the developmental progression of children's art as you explore the medium of clay. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Tuesday, June 7
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit.

1612-03 Creative Art: Printmaking
Learn the process of printmaking with young children using many types of common, everyday materials. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Thursdays, June 9 and 16
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

1610-02 Early Literacy Predictors
Explore developmentally appropriate learning experiences that promote early literacy skills for pre-K and kindergarten children. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Thursdays, June 9, 16, 23, 30 and July 7
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: **KPL**
Five 2-hour classes for 10 hours credit

1328-03 Sensory Tables
Participate in sensory table activities that encourage young children to explore and learn. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Saturday, June 11
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1668-01 Math Connections
Explore the many ways that math is a part of our lives and how it connects to the world around us. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Tuesdays, June 14, 21 and 28
9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: **MS211**
Three 3.5-hour classes for 10.5 hours credit

1576-02 Creating Engaging Environments
Examine organizational strategies and materials that inspire children to explore and become engaged in problem-solving activities and learning opportunities. (CDA Areas 1, 2, 3)
Saturday, June 18
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: **MS211**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1609-02 Creative Art: Collages
Learn the process of making collages with young children using many types of common, everyday materials. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Saturday, June 18
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: **MS208**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1669-01 Exploring Block Play
Learn how to plan and extend early learning experiences using a variety of construction materials, including wooden blocks. (CDA Areas 2, 3)
Thursdays, June 23 and 30
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **MS205**
Two 2-hour classes for 4 hours credit

Class Location Key

In the class description, the number following the location key is the room.

CBPB
Community Business Partnership Building
7001 Loisdale Road, Springfield 22150

HONC
Hidden Oaks Nature Center
7701 Royce Street, Annandale 22003

KPL
Kings Park Library
9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke 22015

KTL
Kingstowne Library
6500 Landsdowne Centre Drive
Alexandria 22315

MS
Resource Center at Main Street
10201 Main Street, Fairfax 22030

PEN
Pennino Building
12011 Government Center Parkway
Fairfax 22035

SC
South County Center
8350 Richmond Highway, Alexandria 22309

WWL
Woodrow Wilson Library
6101 Knollwood Drive, Falls Church 22041

Family Child Care Business Classes – Family child care providers may also enroll in six Family Child Care Business classes throughout the year.

USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program Orientation
Discover how the USDA Food Program will benefit your family child care business. This workshop is only for providers who are not part of the USDA Food Program. (CDA Area 5)
A Fairfax County child care specialist will provide a certificate for 2 hours credit after the provider joins the food program.

1814-05 Tuesday, May 3
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **SC221C**

or

1814-06 Tuesday, June 7
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **PEN1034**

1840-01 Child Nutrition
Learn about nutritional needs, Child Meal Patterns and physical activity necessary to promote optimal health in young children. (CDA Area 2)

Thursday, May 12
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **SC221**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1800-02 Child Abuse and Neglect Recognition and Response
Explore the signs of child abuse and neglect. Review and discuss mandatory reporting guidelines. (CDA Area 5)
Monday, May 16
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **SC221**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1856-01 Manage Your Business by Managing Your Risks
Learn how a good insurance plan can protect your business and your family by exploring ways to manage risk. (CDA Area 5)
Thursday, May 19
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **PEN206**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1854-02 Keeping Children Healthy
Learn the importance of daily health assessments, immunizations, hand washing and health considerations to prevent the spread of disease in your child care business. (CDA Area 1)
Tuesday, May 24
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **SC221**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1859-01 Smart Contracts and Communication
Learn to effectively set expectations with parents through well-written contracts and clear verbal communication. Class includes sample contract and simulated phone interviews. (CDA Area 5)
Saturday, June 11
9 a.m. – noon
Location: **CBPB, Suite C**
One 3-hour class for 3 hours credit

1855-03 Safety and Supervision
Learn about the important role of supervising play and making sure children are safe while exploring the early learning environment. (CDA Areas 1, 5)
Monday, June 13
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **PEN206**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

1805-03 Growing Your Child Care Business
Learn ways to run a successful family child care business including effective marketing and record management. This is especially helpful for new family child care providers. (CDA Area 5)
Tuesday, June 21
7 – 9 p.m.
Location: **PEN206**
One 2-hour class for 2 hours credit

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Staff will be available until 8:30 p.m. to answer training questions and provide assistance on the first day of registration.



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