

2021 Gulf Coast Early Care & Education Summer Symposium

**July 5 - 7, 2021
Orange Beach, AL**

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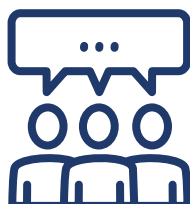


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Event Highlights



Pre-Conference Sessions



Join us on Monday, July 5, 2021 for Pre-Conference sessions. These two, three-hour intensive training sessions will focus on early childhood education program leadership and specific aspects of Head Start/ Early Head Start program implementation.

Small, Hands-On Optional Sessions



In addition to informative, exceptional general training sessions, we are offering optional hands-on sessions that you can sign up for! Don't miss out on a fun, engaging Make-and-Take session or Sip-and-Science session. These sessions will take place after general training sessions are over, offering you an opportunity to get additional training and fun! Space is limited.

Authors' Corner



We're shining a spotlight on some of the South's amazing authors at this year's conference. Book readings and signings, along with special opportunities to engage with the authors and purchase books for your programs are just a few of the things we have planned!

Networking Events



We believe that relationships are at the heart of our work with children and families. Now more than ever, it's our desire to establish and strengthen relationships among our industry peers, advocates and leaders. At this year's conference, we are hosting several opportunities for you to connect with other attendees and establish lasting relationships!



Call for Proposals

Submit a proposal to present at AALECE's 2021 Annual Summer Conference, July 5 - 7, 2021.

AALECE's Annual Summer Conference is one of Alabama's longest running gatherings of early childhood professionals offering engaging and informative training sessions. We invite you to share your content expertise and experience at the 2021 Annual Summer Conference in Orange Beach, Alabama.

We are seeking proposals that address timely topics and current challenges faced by early childhood professionals. Proposals should be grounded in best practices and informed by research. All proposals should reflect current research and/or practical experience that is well-grounded and consistent with the principles of effective adult learning in a conference setting.

Most sessions are 1.5 hours in duration. Training sessions are given Continuing Education Units (CEU) and additional paperwork will be required if your proposal is chosen.

Deadline for proposal submissions is Friday, February 26, 2021.

2021 Suggested Session Topic List

Arts - Sessions on this topic address art, drama, dance, puppetry and other creative art experiences in the early childhood curriculum.

Assessment of Young Children - Sessions on this topic address observing and assessing children's growth and learning.

Children with Disabilities/Early Intervention - Sessions on this topic address including and supporting children with disabilities in early childhood settings.

Cognitive Development - Sessions on this topic address brain development and how children think and reason.

Community Partnerships - Sessions on this topic address building partnerships among early childhood community stakeholders.

Diversity and Equity - Sessions on this topic address issues of diversity and equity in all sectors of the early childhood field.

Environmental Education - Sessions on this topic address nature and outdoor learning in the early childhood curriculum.

Family Engagement and Support - Sessions on this topic address building meaningful partnerships with families.

Guidance/Discipline/Challenging Behaviors - Sessions on this topic address appropriate strategies for preventing or responding to challenging behaviors.

Health and Safety - Sessions on this topic address health and safety issues in early childhood settings.

Language and Literacy - Sessions on this topic address language development and early literacy experiences for young children.

Learning Environment - Sessions on this topic address the indoor and outdoor spaces in which children learn.

Mathematics - Sessions on this topic address math experiences in the early childhood curriculum.

Music - Sessions on this topic address music experiences in the early childhood curriculum.

Physical Development - Sessions on this topic address children's physical growth including fine and gross motor skills.

Play - Sessions on this topic address investigating the world and building meaningful knowledge through open-ended, firsthand experiences.

Professionalism and Leadership - Sessions on this topic address the skill set needed to be an effective early childhood professional.

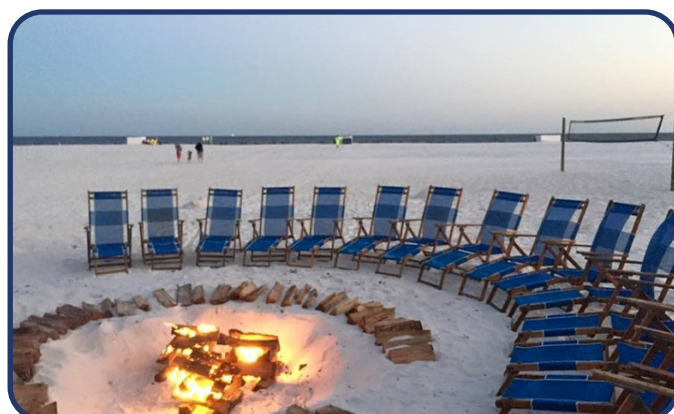
Science - Sessions on this topic address science experiences in the early childhood curriculum.

Social/Emotional Development - Sessions on this topic address how children learn to understand and manage emotions and develop relationships with others.

State Systems - Sessions on this topic address state systems and other large initiatives for improving and expanding quality in early childhood settings.

Teaching and Instructional Practices - Sessions on this topic address the use of effective teaching approaches that enhance children's learning and development.

Technology and Digital Media - Sessions on this topic address using technology and digital media as part of children's learning experiences.



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Training Proposal Form

Session Title: _____

Session Topic: _____

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

Name: _____

Agency/Organization: _____

Work Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____ Contact Phone #: _____

SESSION INFORMATION

Please provide a brief and accurate description of your training session. This information may be used to list your course in our marketing materials and as a basis for attendees to determine which sessions they will attend.

Please provide a brief description of session (limit 50 words):

List learning objectives for your training session (2 - 3 objectives suggested for 1.5 hr session):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

*Please note that Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be offered to participants for this training session. This will require additional paperwork and session details.

*Sessions may have a large number of attendees. When planning your session, please keep in mind that you may be asked to make accommodations for this factor.

Signature: _____

Date: _____