Training Opportunities For Early Childhood Providers Spring Calendar 2024





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YWCA Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm Walk-Ins 8:30am-4:30pm



YWCA Building Closures:

Monday, May 27th, 2024 Wednesday, June 19th, 2024

Highlighted Trainings:

**The following trainings include "freebies" for you to use in your classroom! Please see the Training Calendar for more details! **

> 4/9- Mindful: Using the 5 Senses to Create a Safe, Calm, and Relaxing Environment Receive a free gift! 4/25- Teaching with Respect Receive a free children's book! 5/9- Interactive Read-alouds for Kids Receive a free Storytime kit! 5/15- 7 Life Skills Every Child Needs Receive a free gift! 5/23- Cultivating a Growth Mindset Receive a free children's book! 6/12 & 6/26- Art of Authenticity Part 1 & 2 Receive a free gift!

> > Additional Highlighted Trainings

4/8- Immunizations, Administering Medications and Preventing Allergic Reactions Presenters: Elissa Russell & Sue Scott, BSN. RN-BC 5/16- Nature by Design: Creating Play Places for the Littlest Learners Presenter: Dr. Sandra Duncan, EdD 5/30- Early Intervention & American Sign Language Basics Presenters: Lynne Riley & The Center for Sight and Hearing Staff

Date	Training Title	Time & Address	Audience & Course Description	Registration CDA Area & Fee
Thursday, 4/4/2024	Family Child Care Marketing Guide by Tom Copeland Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Siemens	6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Zoom Live	Family Child Care Providers During this training we will review marketing strategies, low-cost promotions, and how to set your rates.	To register click <u>here</u> CDA: 4 & 6 FREE
Monday, 4/8/2024	Immunizations, Administering Medications and Preventing Allergic Reactions Introductory Presenters: Elissa Russell & Sue Scott, BSN. RN-BC	6:00 PM to 7:30 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St, Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers In this training, providers will learn the proper procedures to follow when administering medications and how to prevent allergic reactions. Providers will also learn the correct way to document when medications are given to a child and what paperwork is needed on file. Immunizations will also be discussed as you learn what children need and what age is best for each vaccine.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 FREE

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Tuesday, 4/9/2024	Mindful: Using the 5 Senses to Create a Safe, Calm, and Relaxing Environment Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers *Free gift for participating* With so much stimulation in a classroom, children often can become overwhelmed. In this training, providers will learn easy techniques to help children become aware of what is happening in their mind and in their body and how to use the 5 senses to create space between the emotions they are experiencing and the actions they use to respond to them. In addition, providers will understand what mindfulness is and what mindfulness is not and how it can positively affect the learning environment.	To register contact: Annemarie at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 2 & 3 FREE
Monday, 4/15/2024	Understanding Attachment and Attachment Injuries in Early Childhood Introductory Presenter: Shelly Spickler	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers Attachment is essential in the lives of young children. It forms the foundation for all relationships, both now and in the future. In this workshop, we will take a deep dive into attachment, the styles of attachment children demonstrate, and how our own adult attachment style impacts the way we care for children. In addition, we will discuss how attachment injuries impact children, their emotional stability, and the level of trust/risk the attachment injured child, or adult, can provide to future relationships.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 3 & 8 FREE

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Thursday, 4/25/2024	Teaching with Respect Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers *Free children's book will be available for participants* In this training, providers will understand the importance of human interaction, especially with young children. You will develop concrete ways to express respect through the physical environment and through everyday positive engagement with children in your program.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 5 & 6 FREE
Saturday, 4/27/2024	CPR & First Aid Certification Introductory Presenter: Jim Manson	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers This course is certified through the American Heart Association. It is a video- based, instructor-led course that teaches students critical skills needed to respond to and manage an emergency until emergency medical services arrive. Skills covered in this course include first aid; choking relief in adults, children and infants; and what to do for sudden cardiac arrest in adults, children, and infants. This course also covers anaphylactic shock.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 FREE

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Monday, 4/29/2024	ADHD in Young Children: Could it be ADHD? Introductory Presenter: Shelly Spickler	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers Understand the symptoms of ADHD in preschool children, how it is diagnosed, and how to support children with ADHD- like behavior in your preschool setting.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 8 FREE
Thursday, 5/2/2024	Family Child Care Record-Keeping Guide by Tom Copeland Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Siemens	6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Zoom Live	Family Child Care Providers During this training we assess record keeping options and requirements needed for tracking and claiming income and expenses, and how you can claim the maximum allowable deductions and pay the lowest possible federal taxes.	To register click <u>here</u> CDA: 5 & 6 FREE

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Monday, 5/6/2024	Engaging Non- Speakers in Active Play Introductory Presenter: Shelly Spickler	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers Active engagement happens when a child is able to interact, communicate and participate with others. It should be a goal for all children to experience active engagement, because that's when they are able to learn and make connections with others. For non-speakers, challenges may prevent the child from actively engaging in the classroom. In this workshop, we will discuss how to overcome those challenges and help non- speakers in your classroom engage in play, social interactions, and learning activities.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 3 & 8 FREE
Thursday, 5/9/2024	Interactive Read- alouds for Kids Introductory Presenter: Rockford Public Library Staff	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers *Free Storytime kit for participating. * Rockford Public Library is conducting a training with the United Way's Untied for Literacy initiative. This training will have an overview of library resources and tips for reading to children under the age of 10yrs old. Participants will also gain an understanding of the five early literacy practices (talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing) and grasp the concept of creating a literacy rich environment.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 5 & 6 FREE

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Saturday, 5/11/2024	CPR & First Aid Certification Introductory Presenter: Jim Manson	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers This course is certified through the American Heart Association. It is a video- based, instructor-led course that teaches students critical skills needed to respond to and manage an emergency until emergency medical services arrive. Skills covered in this course include first aid; choking relief in adults, children and infants; and what to do for sudden cardiac arrest in adults, children, and infants. This course also covers anaphylactic shock.	To register contact: Annemarie at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 FREE
Wednesday, 5/15/2024	7 Life Skills Every Child Needs Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers *Free gift for participating* We all want what's best for children. But, how do we help them today and in the future; not only survive but thrive? In this training, participants will learn the seven essential life skills children need to: take on life's challenges, achieve their full potential, and navigate through their daily activities. Join us in exploring easy hands-on activities which will keep children's curiosity and love of learning alive.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 2, 3 & 8 FREE

Date	Training Title	Time & Address	Audience & Course Description	Registration CDA Area & Fee
Thursday, 5/16/2024	Nature by Design: Creating Play Places for the Littlest Learners Introductory Presenter: Dr. Sandra Duncan, EdD	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers What can elephants, water lilies, honeybees, and whales possibly teach us about designing early childhood classrooms? As it turns out, quite a lot! Nature offers valuable and important lessons about transforming classroom spaces into places where young children experience joy and learning. This presentation, based on Duncan's newest book, <i>Inspired by Nature:</i> <i>Designing Play Places for</i> <i>the Littlest Learners,</i> will help you see (and design) your classroom from a unique perspective.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 5 & 8 FREE
Saturday, 5/18/2024	CPR & First Aid Certification Introductory Presenter: Jim Manson	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers This course is certified through the American Heart Association. It is a video- based, instructor-led course that teaches students critical skills needed to respond to and manage an emergency until emergency medical services arrive. Skills covered in this course include first aid; choking relief in adults, children and infants; and what to do for sudden cardiac arrest in adults, children, and infants. This course also covers anaphylactic shock.	To register contact: Annemarie at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 FREE

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Monday, 5/20/2024	Redirecting Rough and Tumble Play Introductory Presenter: Michelle Spickler	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers This training will present an overall understanding of rough and tumble play in early childhood. The training will present how to differentiate between play fighting and real aggression, how to redirect children to alternative, safe but physical play, and how to meet the physical and social- emotional needs of the children who seek physical movement and connection through rough and tumble play.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 & 2 FREE
Thursday, 5/23/2024	Basics of Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Practice (BCLAP) Introductory Presenter: Paula Schnicker-Johnson	5:30 PM to 8:30 PM Zoom Live	All Providers In this training, participants will learn about the complexities of culture and how culture impacts interactions with families and other professionals. Through discussion and group activities, participants will explore their own cultural competence and awareness.	To register click <u>here</u> CDA: 4 & 6 FREE *Registration closes 4/29/2024*

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Thursday, 5/23/2024	Cultivating a Growth Mindset Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers *Free children's book will be available for participants* Developing the right mindset early on is crucial for a successful, happy life. When children learn that putting forth effort and using the right strategies can help them become better at things, they feel empowered to try harder. When they know their brain is capable of growing, they are more confident, resilient, and can push through failure. Join me in exploring the power of "YET" in helping children learn that they are developing, not "fixed" to be a certain way.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 2, 3 & 8 FREE
Thursday, 5/30/2024	Early Intervention & American Sign Language Basics Introductory Presenters: Lynne Riley & The Center for Sight and Hearing staff	5:30 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers Please join us for an inspiring presentation on Early Intervention services followed by an exciting training opportunity to learn American Sign Language (ASL) basics.	To register contact: Annemarie Toldo at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 5 & 6 FREE

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Saturday, 6/1/2024	CPR & First Aid Certification Introductory Presenter: Jim Manson	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers This course is certified through the American Heart Association. It is a video- based, instructor-led course that teaches students critical skills needed to respond to and manage an emergency until emergency medical services arrive. Skills covered in this course include first aid; choking relief in adults, children and infants; and what to do for sudden cardiac arrest in adults, children, and infants. This course also covers anaphylactic shock.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 FREE
Monday, 6/3/2024, Tuesday, 6/4/2024, Wednesday, 6/5/2024 & Thursday, 6/6/2024	Strengthening Business Practices for Family Child Care Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	5:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	Family Child Care providers This is a 4-part series focusing on building and strengthening your business. There will be small group discussion and homework after each session. A business plan will need to be completed at the end of the series to achieve credit.	To register contact: Annemarie at AnnemarieT @ywcanwil.o Ig CDA: 5 & 6 FREE *This is a 4- part series. Participants must attend all sessions in order for credit to be received* *Registration closes 5/6/2024*

Date	Training Title	Time & Address	Audience & Course Description	Registration CDA Area & Fee
Thursday, 6/6/2024 & Thursday, 6/13/2024	Family Child Care Contracts & Policies by Tom Copeland Introductory Presenter: Stephanie Siemens	6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Zoom Live	Family Child Care Providers This training will be designed for beginner to intermediate providers to help with establishing businesslike relationships through their contract and policies. We will also discuss the tough decisions while enforcing agreements and ending contracts with parents.	To register click here CDA: 5 & 6 FREE *This is a 2- part series. Participants must attend both sessions in order for credit to be received*
Wednesday, 6/12/2024 & Wednesday, 6/26/2024	Art of Authenticity Intermediate Presenter: Stephanie Koclanis	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers *Free gift for participating* This 2 part training is adapted from Dr.Karissa Thacker's book 'The Art of Authenticity.' Participants will work through how to bring their best self forward when the pressure is high; reflecting on such questions as:" What are my strengths?", "How do I work best?", "What are my values?", "Where do I belong?" "What can I contribute?" This training will have outside reflective work.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 3 & 6 *This is a 2- part series. Participants must attend both sessions in order for credit to be received*

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Saturday, 6/22/2024	CPR & First Aid Certification Introductory Presenter: Jim Manson	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St., Rockford, IL, 61108	All Providers This course is certified through the American Heart Association. It is a video- based, instructor-led course that teaches students critical skills needed to respond to and manage an emergency until emergency medical services arrive. Skills covered in this course include first aid; choking relief in adults, children and infants; and what to do for sudden cardiac arrest in adults, children, and infants. This course also covers anaphylactic shock.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg CDA: 1 FREE	
Wednesday, 6/26/2024	Director's Dialogue Presenter(s): Stephanie Koclanis and Lisa Bock	12:30 PM to 1:30 PM In Person YWCA 4990 East State St, Rockford, IL, 61108	Center Directors and Daycare Owners Join us for an opportunity to connect with other childcares and childcare owners. In addition, we will go over the services the CCR&R provides.	To register contact: Annemarie at <u>AnnemarieT</u> @ywcanwil.o rg FREE	
For your convenience, we have added Icons to the Trainings that are Gateways Registry approved, ExceleRate or Health and Safety Trainings-please refer to the key below:					
Gateways Registry Approved Trainings					
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Health & Sa	afety Trainings				

Training Policies and Procedures

The following training policies and procedures apply to all YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions sponsored workshops and conferences.

Registration

- The training calendar indicates how to register for a workshop/series. *Please note, not all trainings offered have registrations through YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions.
- Pre-registration is required for all trainings.
- Typically, class size is limited. When class maximum has been met, registration will be closed.
- Participants are registered on a first come, first serve basis.
- Registration forms for YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions sponsored trainings can be found in the monthly training calendar and/or online at www.ywcanwil.org.
- Registration forms for all YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions sponsored trainings are accepted via mail or office walk-in only. Faxed registrations are accepted for non-fee trainings only.
- Registration closes 7 days prior to the scheduled training date.
- Payment must accompany the registration form for any training that has a fee. The registration request will not be processed if the fee is not included with the registration form.
- Upon receipt of a completed registration form and payment (if applicable), a copy will be sent to the provider confirming status of registration.
- Walk-ins are discouraged and may not be allowed admittance.

Training Participation

- Late arrivals—a 15 minute Grace Period will be given at all training sessions (including virtual trainings). This grace period begins at the advertised start time. Participants will not be allowed in after the 15-minute grace period.
- Early departures will not receive a training certificate; participants must stay until the training is finished.
- At the discretion of the trainer—if an attendee is considered to be disruptive in behavior, he/she may be asked to leave the training and will not receive a certificate or refund (if there was a fee).
- Adult learners' only; Children are not to be in attendance at training sessions.

Fees, Refunds, & Cancellations

- If YWCA Child Care Solutions cancels a workshop/series due to low enrollment all participants that registered will be contacted by phone or email no later than two days prior to the session and a refund will be processed, as applicable.
- If unforeseen circumstances occur, including but not limited to inclement weather, presenter cancellation/illness, or power outage, registrants will be notified as soon as possible. Every effort will be made to contact each provider via phone call or email.
- A participant may cancel a class for which they are registered up to 5 business days prior to the scheduled date to
 receive a refund. If it is 4 business days or less before the class is to be held, no refunds will be given nor will
 substitutions be made.
- Pre-registration fees are non-refundable for no-show registrants.

Certificates

- A certificate of attendance will be distributed at the end of each workshop/ or conclusion of a series.
- To receive a training certificate, participants must stay until the trainer is finished.
- Replacement certificates must be issued at the request of an individual participant. A processing fee of \$5.00 will be charged and the certificate will be held until payment is made.
- Certificates are only to be released to the individual who participated at the training.

Virtual Learning

- Please utilize a webcam to maximize the relationship and connection between trainer and participants
- Attendance, participation and interaction with trainer is required and will be verified through virtual platform
- Your safety and attention must be verified: No driving, shopping, etc. while participating in training
- Must complete evaluation form after each training, before certificate can be issued

IDHS Required Health and Safety Trainings

For License Exempt Providers

One-time trainings:	Format:	How to Access:
CPR/First Aid	Hybrid (Online/In-person) and Traditional (In-person)	Approved CPR providers: American Heart Association; American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI); American Red Cross; American Trauma Event Management (ATEM); Emergency Care and Safety Institute (ECSI; Edward Atkinson/Emergency Response Health Network; Ellis & Associates, IncOrlando, FL; EMS Safety Services; MEDIC FIRST AID; National Safety Council; Pro-Trainings, LLC; R.H. Sanders & Associates/Titan CPR Associates *Contact CPR entities directly for time/dates of trainings
Child Abuse and Neglect/Mandated Reporter Training	Online	Link to website : Illinois Mandated Reporter Training (dcfstraining.org)
ECE credential: Level 1	Online through Illinois Gateways i-Learning system	Link to Illinois Gateways i-Learning: https://courses.inccrra.org.
Child Development, Health & Safety Basics: Six (6) hours	Online through Illinois Gateways i-Learning system	Link to Illinois Gateways i-Learning: <u>https://courses.inccrra.org</u> .

ADDITIONAL ONLINE TRAININGS:

All Gateways approved trainings can be found at https://courses.inccrra.org.

You must be a Gateways Member to take the courses, become a member here

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:			
Spring Reading and Family Events at the Rockford Public Library	Link		
Spring Reading and Family Events at the Freeport Public Library	<u>Link</u>		

CPR

In-person CPR at the YWCA has resumed. In- person dates and times are listed on the "Highlighted Trainings" page in the calendar. If you are unable to participate, a list of alternate entities is below. You will need to follow up with the individual entities to find course offerings and times. If you have further questions, please follow up with your DCFS Representative. Look for our new First Aid/CPR Funds Program application, available soon.

List of approved CPR providers (Effective June 14, 2022):

- 1. American Heart Association
- 2. American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI)
- 3. American Red Cross
- 4. American Trauma Event Management (ATEM)
- 5. Emergency Care and Safety Institute (ECSI)
- 6. Edward Atkinson/Emergency Response Health Network
- 7. Ellis & Associates, Inc.-Orlando, FL
- 8. EMS Safety Services
- 9. Know CPR
- 10. MEDIC FIRST AID
- 11. National Safety Council
- 12. Pacific Medical Training
- 13. Pro-Trainings, LLC
- 14. Titan CPR Associates

YWCA Northwestern Illinois Child Care Solutions Provider Services

How can we help YOU?

 Carol Lyons- CORE Receptionist Handles all front office, administration duties for CORE team Responsible for greeting guests, answering phones, handling company inquiries and the sorting and distribution of mail 	Extension: 200
 Jennifer Wicklein – Data, Recruitment & Retention Specialist Maintains and updates provider database Assists in the recruitment and retention of child care providers Assists with data entry for training registrations and provides applicable training certificates Offers information on starting a child care business 	Extension: 218 <u>Email</u> <u>Jennifer</u>
 Stephanie Jones- Referral Specialist (Lead) and Admin Support Provides customized child care referrals upon request and processes TANF referrals as needed Assists with processing all incoming child care provider grievances Provides administrative support and completes program related errands 	Extension: 224 <u>Email</u> Stephanie
 Annemarie Toldo - Training & Technical Assistance Coordinator & Referral Specialist Creates and manages the quarterly training calendar for ongoing professional development Manages and processes applications for CPR/First Aid Reimbursement and Professional Development Funds Offers technical assistance regarding Gateways Registry membership, online trainings, credentials and accreditations, and various training related information Back up to the Referral Lead 	Extension: 211 <u>Email</u> <u>Annemarie</u>
 Leisha Kury- Community Systems Development & Grants Specialist Works and connects with programs and services across health, early care and education, family support, and social services Coordinates community outreach and collaborations Responsible for the promotion, technical assistance, receiving, and awarding of funds for: Quality Improvement Cohorts Training Stipends Accreditation Assistance LECC Health & Safety Grants 	Extension: 204 <u>Email Leisha</u>
 Andrea Capriotti – Infant Toddler Specialist Promotes the ExceleRate Illinois program and offers technical assistance to licensed Family Child Care Providers and licensed Child Care Centers; assists with Silver Circle of Quality renewal process Coordinates consultations, trainings, observations, and assessments of children ages 0-3 Assists with implementing Continuous Quality Improvement Plans 	Extension: 228 <u>Email Andrea</u>

 Stephanie Siemens – Quality Specialist Promotes the ExceleRate Illinois program to licensed Family Child Care Providers and licensed Child Care Centers; assists with Silver Circle of Quality renewal process Coordinates consultations, trainings, observations, and assessments of children ages 3-12 Assists with implementing Continuous Quality Improvement Plans 	Extension: 234 <u>Email</u> <u>Stephanie</u>
 Silvia Diaz- Higher Education Navigator Recruits and connects incumbent early childhood care and education workforce members with appropriate early childhood programs at 2- and 4-year institutions Creates strong relationships with early care and education employers, members of the incumbent workforce, and ECE programs at 2- and 4-year institutions of higher education Maintains an up-to-date and ongoing understanding of all early childhood programs offered by 2- and 4-year institutions within SDA1 Provides assistance with the technicalities of completing the FAFSA to qualify for federal aid, access state scholarship monies for the EC workforce, and apply to the relevant institution and programs. 	Extension: 205 <u>Email Silvia</u>