Professional Development Opportunities

Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County
September 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021

Sponsorship by the Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County and the State of Florida, Office of Early Learning.
ELC Courses – CLASS

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CLASS Group Coaching is a series of six 4-hour professional development sessions. It is designed to help an early care and education practitioner to become more effective in the classroom.

PreK CGC is for those in classrooms serving 3-year-olds through kindergarten entry.

Infant and Toddler CGC is for those serving infants, one-year-olds and two-year-olds.

Cost is $95 for the course book. This must be ordered from Teachstone with receipt provided to ELC. Each participant must have a book.

Cost is eligible for reimbursement with the Professional Development Reimbursement Scholarship (see www.elc-manatee.org) for application form.
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**PreK**
- Mondays & Wednesdays: 6:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
- Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- October 5 to November 21, 2020
- October 10 to November 21, 2020

**Infant/Toddler**
- Mondays & Wednesdays: 6:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
- Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- November 30, 2020 to January 27, 2021
- December 5, 2020 to January 30, 2021

Participants MUST attend ALL sessions to earn credit. Maximum of 14 per class – first come first served.
24 hours of in-service training, 2.4 CEUs.

Steps to register:
1. Submit name, mailing address, unique email address, and name of center to parmenter@elc-manatee.org by the September 10th deadline. Please indicate PreK or Infant-Toddler, weekdays or Saturdays, and who is paying for the materials – you or your director (have director sign and date).
2. Use the ordering link (emailed to you once your information is received) to order your participant guide – indicate PreK or Infant-Toddler. All guides must be purchased prior to September 18 or your registration will be removed. Scan your receipt to the above email.
3. Watch for emails from Teachstone and from ELC welcoming you to the course.
ELC Courses – “Talk About…” Thursdays

FREE!!

September 10, 2020
Building Relationships with Infants and Toddlers (12:30pm)
Building Relationships with Infants and Toddlers (7:00pm)

Relationships are the most important factor in caring for children under the age of three. What does this look like? What are you doing to be in relationship with the children in your care? What are you doing to take care of you so you can be your best?

October 8, 2020
Using Infant and Toddler Environments for Teaching (12:30pm)
Using Infant and Toddler Environments for Teaching (7:00pm)

Does your room and do your materials invite your children to play and learn? What is it that you have planned for them to experience? Is everything prepared? How will you know they are interested? How will you know they are learning?

November 5, 2020
Responsive Caregiving with Infants and Toddlers (12:30pm)
Responsive Caregiving with Infants and Toddlers (7:00pm)

Very young children must feel their teacher knows them and will be there no matter what kind of mischief they find. Where are you when the children are playing? What do you do when one just needs to be close? How do you make yourself available to the children?

December 3, 2020
Kick it Up a Notch! Building Infant and Toddler Language (12:30pm)
Kick it Up a Notch! Building Infant and Toddler Language (7:00pm)

You are the key that will open the door for the children in your care to use and understand spoken language! Repeat, expand, repeat, initiate, repeat, story, repeat...Did we mention repeat? Are you saying what you are doing and what you are seeing?

January 7, 2021
Encouraging Persistence in Infant and Toddler Classrooms (12:30pm)
Encouraging Persistence in Infant and Toddler Classrooms (7:00pm)

How do we “teach” children to “keep on keeping on”? What specifically can we do indoors, outdoors, in our activity areas, and in our interactions that will teach and reinforce this skill?

Register using the links embedded in the titles. Zoom information will be emailed prior to the start of the course.
ELC Courses – “Talk About…” Thursdays

September 17, 2020
Building Relationships with Preschoolers (12:30pm)
Building Relationships with Preschoolers (7:00pm)
Relationships are key to a preschooler being able to learn. What does it look like? What are you doing to be in relationship with the children in your care? What are you doing to take care of you so you can be your best?

October 15, 2020
PreK Environment as a Teaching Tool (12:30pm)
PreK Environment as a Teaching Tool (7:00pm)
Does your room and do your materials invite your children to play and learn? What is it that you have planned for them to experience?

November 19, 2020
Sensitivity and Respect with Preschoolers’ Wants and Needs (12:30pm)
Sensitivity and Respect with Preschoolers’ Wants and Needs (7:00pm)
Preschoolers depend on their teachers to know them and to be there no matter what. How do you validate their emotions? Where are you when the children are playing? What do you do when one just needs to be close? How do you make yourself available to your children?

December 10, 2020
Kick it Up a Notch! Building Preschoolers’ Language (12:30pm)
Kick it Up a Notch! Building Preschoolers’ Language (7:00pm)
You are the key to your preschoolers learning about, playing with, and practicing the English language. Repeat, expand, repeat, question, repeat, initiate, repeat, story, repeat…Did we mention repeat? Are you saying what you are doing and noticing throughout the day? Do your planned experiences reinforce your language objectives?

January 14, 2021
Encouraging Persistence in Preschool Classrooms (12:30pm)
Encouraging Persistence in Preschool Classrooms (7:00pm)
How do we “teach” children to “keep on keeping on?” What specifically can you do indoors, outdoors, in activity areas, and in our interactions that will reinforce this skill?

Register using the links embedded in the titles. Zoom information will be emailed prior to the start of the course.
ELC Courses - General

**Tips and Tricks of Teaching Strategies GOLD**  
Virtual Training using Zoom  
12:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m.  
September 15, 2020  
Presented by ELC Staff

ELC Staff will demonstrate their knowledge of successfully navigating Teaching Strategies GOLD. They will share their knowledge of time saving techniques, as well streamlined entry methods designed to make life easier in your classroom.

****This course is for current participants in the TS GOLD Child Assessment program only.**** ELC staff will distribute the Zoom information to participating programs prior to the start of the course.

**Tips and Tricks of Teaching TS GOLD (12:00pm)**  
**Tips and Tricks of Teaching TS GOLD (6:00pm)**
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Caring for Children in A Disaster
Virtual Training using Zoom
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
October 6, 2020
Presented by Tina Trivers

Caring for Children in a Disaster will discuss how children are different from adults and 10 things every child needs from an adult. We will go over helping children cope with emergencies. We will expand on factors that influence the emotional impact on children in emergencies. We will discuss what you can do to help children cope with a disaster and expand on common reactions.

Register using the link below. Your Zoom information will be emailed prior to the start of the course.

Register Now!
ELC Courses - General

**Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED – full courses**

*Saturdays 8:30am – 3:00pm with ½ hour lunch*

- Saturday, October 3, 2020
- Saturday, October 31, 2020
- Saturday, January 23, 2021

*Presented by ELC Staff*

Learn the appropriate techniques for applying standard first aid procedures and cardiopulmonary resuscitation with and without AED’s. Certification from the American Red Cross is good for two years. Participants take home Adult and Pediatric Ready Reference cards. Participants must supply a unique email address that the American Red Cross will attach to their training record.

Cost is $60.00 per participant, $40.00 for those in QRIS programs. QRIS Participants MUST contact Professional Development at (941) 757-2900 ext. 2601 to verify status and receive discount registration code. Refunds will not be issued for cancellations within 48 hours of the beginning of class or for persons not attending.

Register through the links above with any tuition due by two business days prior to each course. Limited class enrollment. Inservice hours: 6.0.

*Challenge courses are available. They are the same fee as the full course. Fees are not refunded if trainer determines any skills were not demonstrated properly, and participant must register for and successfully complete a full course. Appointments are required. No training credit is awarded. Contact Pam Parmenter at pparmenter@elc-manatee.org or call (941) 212-4911 for more information.*