

Join us for the 2026–2027 school year!



# Early School Success Academy

Through hands-on professional learning and coaching, the Early School Success Academy provides educators with the tools, mindsets, and strategies to build aligned, unified early learning programs that bridge the early years to early grades to sustain student success.

## This year's focus: **Bridging the Early Years to Early Grades Through Family Engagement**

Success for early learners is built on creating and sustaining continuity, relational trust, and supported learning. **This year, the ESS Academy will explore how birth-to-five programs and elementary schools can co-design family engagement strategies** that reduce barriers, honor families, and ensure a strong transition through the early grades.

The Academy's **integrated coaching model and state-wide network sessions** fuel collaboration, spark innovation, and empower educators to tackle challenges together.

### **Academy participants will:**

- Engage in facilitated, team-based planning sessions
- Collaborate with district, school, community, and birth-to-five programs
- Receive hands-on coaching, tools, and support from Children's Institute



## **Who should join?**

District, school, & birth-to-five program teams led by a designated point person.

Teams often include:

- **Coaches & TOSAs**
- **Community or regional partners**
- **Curriculum directors**
- **Dual language educators**
- **Early learning coordinators**
- **Preschool-3rd grade teachers**
- **Principals**
- **Child Care Providers**
- **Directors of Teaching & Learning**
- **Special education educators**

We encourage diverse perspectives across teams!

**Learn more about the ESS Academy!**

