



Inspired Minds ECC Workshops Topics

Connect ~ Play ~ Inspire

At Inspired Minds ECC, we strive to provide you and your team with professional learning experiences to continue their reflective practices as early childhood educators, extend their knowledge and skills of professional practices in early learning and advocate for the rights of young children and high-quality programs. All our workshops are hands-on, interactive workshops that provide practical strategies that go 'Beyond the Basics' and can be quickly and easily incorporated into your program. Our workshops include practical take-away strategies and tools, reflective discussions and collaborative learning experiences. Workshops are 2 hours unless otherwise noted. All workshops can be extended to 3-hours to give your team a more detailed look into strategies, tools, and in-depth reflective discussions. Online or in-person delivery is available.

Child Focused Workshops

1. **Adventures of Play:** Exploring Risky Play
2. **Approaches to Play:** Exploring Play Schemas
3. **Beautiful Oopsies:** Exploring the Creativity of Open-Ended Art Experiences
4. **Brain Architecture Game:** The Powerful Role of Positive Relationships with Young Children
5. **Build It Up!** Designing Creative Block Spaces
6. **Caring Connections:** Interactions that Matter
7. **Creating Magical Spaces:** Inspiring Early Childhood Environments
8. **Curiosity and Wonder of Treasure Baskets:** Infant and Toddler Play Explorations
9. **DAP Trivia Time:** Understanding Best Practices in Child Care
10. **Exploring Hygge:** Creating Spaces that Foster Happiness, a Sense Belonging and Togetherness
11. **Inspiring Curiosity to Play:** Creating Provocations and Invitations to Play
12. **Laughter and Learning with ABCs:** Creating Joy through Language and Literacy Play Experiences
13. **Let's Move!** Including Movement & Active Play Everyday
14. **Look at Me Grow!** Celebrating Children's Growth and Learning Through Children's Journals, Stories and Portfolios
15. **Mighty Transitions:** Discovering Transitions that Work
16. **No Waiting! Get Them Shaking:** Exploring and Extending Engaging Transitions
17. **Ooey Goey Messy Fun!** Designing Sensational Sensory Experiences
18. **Redefining Circle Time:** Moving Beyond Adult Directed Group Times with Young Children
19. **Rocks and Sticks and Wonderful Things!** Creative Outdoor Play Experiences for Young Children
20. **Shake, Rattle and Roll!** Creative Music and Movement Experiences for Young Children
21. **Storytime Success:** Creating Memories Through Storytelling
22. **The Inner Child!** Developing the Spiritual Well-Being of Every Child
23. **The Magic of Loose Parts:** Promoting Play with Loose Parts
24. **The ME, The You, The We:** Facilitating Social-Emotional Learning
25. **The World is a Stage!** Inspiring Creativity through Dramatic Play



26. **Tinkering and Toying with STEM:** Exploration and Discovery Through STEM, STEAM & STREAM
27. **We Are Family!** Building Stronger Connections with Families
28. **Where the Wild Things Are:** Providing Effective Active Supervision
29. **Which Way to the Brain?** Brain Smart Strategies to Support Early Learning and Development

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Workshops

30. **Anti-Biased Celebrations:** Understanding the Anti-Biased Approach to Celebrations in the Early Learning Environment
31. **Beautiful Minds:** Caring for Children with Neurodiversity
32. **We All Belong:** Inclusive Practices in the Early Years
33. **What a Wonderful World:** Creating Culturally Diverse Environments in Childcare

Understanding & Guiding Children's Behaviors Workshops

34. **From Crying to Smiling:** Understanding Challenging Behaviours
35. **The Third Teacher:** Creating Responsive Environments to Support Children's Behaviours
36. **The Daily Struggle:** Facilitating Conflict Resolution
37. **Know No No's:** Understanding Positive Guidance Strategies (3 hours or 6 hours)

Emergent & Play-Based Curriculum Workshops

38. **Unlocking the Magic of Emergent Curriculum:** An Introduction to the Emergent Curriculum Approach
39. **Observing Play with Intention:** Enriching your Skills in Observations with the Emergent Curriculum Approach
40. **Playful Planning:** Exploring the Planning Process with the Emergent Curriculum Approach
41. **Reflections of Playful Learning:** Making Children's Learning Visible with the Emergent Curriculum Approach
42. **Enriching Your Emergent Curriculum Approach:** (6 hour PLD)
43. **NEW! Protectors of Play:** Valuing the Pedagogy of Play

Focusing on Early Childhood Educators and ELCC Teams

44. **Active Listening:** Surviving Difficult Conversations with Colleagues
45. **Bringing the Village Together:** Team Building Practices for Early Childhood Organizations
46. **Building Stronger Team Together:** Effective Team Communication in Early Childcare Programs
47. **Finding Calm in the Chaos:** Importance of Self-Care for Early Childhood Educators
48. **NEW! Leading with Advocacy:** Professionalism and Ethics for Early Childhood Educators
49. **Managing Stress:** Finding Balance at Work and in Life
50. **NEW! The Journey of Learning:** Reflective Practices of an Early Childhood Professional