

Delaware Association for the Education of Young Chil<mark>dre</mark>n

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ECE Matters



Thursday, May 16th 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Expand your network with elected officials, educators, business leaders, and community representatives. Gain insight into state and local policymaking processes to make a greater impact!

<u>Other ways to</u> <u>Advocate!</u>

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- Send emails or make calls to legislators about concerns, questions, ideas, or suggestions you have
- If you're not sure who your legislator is, check here.
- Share social media posts raising awareness to the causes.
- Start discussions with friends and community members who may not know about the issues.
- Join deaeyc at public events, like the JFC meetings and Advocacy Day.

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 Attend public meetings like the Early Childhood Advocacy Coalition and the Delaware Early Childhood Council (DECC) Meetings.

ECE ADVOCACY MATTERS

Looking Ahead

Conference

Wilmington Friends School



"Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them." -James Baldwin









Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children

Early Education Conference June 14-15

(Click the image to register!)

WOYC Recap









<u>Educational Resources and Best</u> <u>Practices</u>



<u>"...The learning outcomes included</u> <u>knowledge gain, skill acquisition</u> <u>by children, and attitude changes</u> <u>by teachers and parents..."</u>





Empowering tomorrow's leaders today!



<u>The brain is the only organ that</u> <u>is NOT fully formed at birth.</u>

Children who participate in an early learning program are more likely to have academic and social successes as they develop.









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Would You Like to Contribute to this <u>Newsletter?</u>

We are looking for contributors for content in the following areas:

- TEACHER HIGHLIGHTS
- CENTER/PROVIDER HIGHLIGHTS
- EVENTS/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES
- NATIONAL & LOCAL ADVOCACY
- CHILD DEVELOPMENT/ECE RESOURCES



Family Resources

<u>Children & Families First:</u> <u>Access Care</u>

Families, if you are looking for licensed child care program, camps, etc. Children & Families first has worked diligently to provide you with the most up to date current information. If you are looking for child care, this would be a good place to start!



SATURDAY, APRIL 20th, 2024 6:00PM VIP Reception 7:00PM Main Event <u>Riverfront Events at the Hyatt Wilmington</u>

<u>Birth to Three</u>

Early Intervention Program

Birth to Three is Delaware's Early Intervention Program. Their site will assist families and caregivers in identifying children's milestones, and building support pillars in areas of need to help families learn and best support their child's needs!

Additional Resources

What Did You Say? A Gumdrop

Have you ever wondered what it would feel like to be a child with a home language other than English on the first day of class in an English-speaking U.S. early childhood program? This video should help you experience that.

Send your contributions to Laura Messick Imessick@deaeyc.org THANK YOU!

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