

# Early Care and Education Trainers Meeting Report

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## 1. How do you currently find out about training opportunities? (Check all that apply.)

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Racine County UW-Extension "Early Learning Series" Calendar (via mail or email)	38	46%
2	Your Employer / Child Care Director	30	37%
3	4C for Children	41	50%
4	YoungStar	18	22%
5	KAEYC - Kenosha Association for the Education of Young Children	15	18%
6	Racine County Human Services	6	7%
7	Racine County Workforce Development Center	4	5%
8	Good Will / Kenosha Child Care Coordination Unit	10	12%
9	www.the-registry.org	16	20%
10	WECA - Wisconsin Early Childhood Association	14	17%
11	Other, please list below	17	21%

Other, please list below
the flyers about upcoming events that are available when I go to a workshop
Co-op teacher
kenosha chidcare monthly calendar
None that I am aware of
DPI CLC page
Classes listed on Registry site are not current.
mailed to center
mail
newspaper
emails
flyers and web sites
mail
monthly flyers
mailings

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	11
Total Responses	82

## 2. How would you prefer to find out about training? (Check all that apply.)

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Email	56	72%
2	Mail	49	63%
3	Your employer / Child Care Directors	20	26%
4	Web sites that I visit	9	12%
5	Other, please list below.	1	1%

Other, please list below.
4C office

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Total Responses	78

### 3. What trainings, workshops, materials or other resources would make it easier for you as a Child Care provider? (Please include specific details such as topics.)

#### Text Response

more hands on learning for children with complicated lives...the frustration to fun was great  
New topics relating to development. The importance of communicating with parents. Our school would rather we didn't talk to parents unless we are "lead teachers". The problem is, that there are no lead teachers in the afternoon to refer these parents to. Most of their questions are general " how was the day what did you do" kind of questions. I don't ever want a parent to feel like I don't know or don't care about their child.

Discussions on teaching the children that have very short attention spans  
what is available in the community that my families can use to supplement the activities and toys they have at home to use

Something that gets me excited, something new. I know that's not much help. How about something on optimism or being positive.

I would like to see more training in dealing with difficult behaviors in infants through childhood. I would also like resources and materials with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, etc. for child care providers.

Learn new games hands on activities and fun things to do with the kids

I would like to learn some class material like songs finger plays. Things that other centers do in there class and that the children enjoy.

Discussions on teaching the children that have very short attention spans  
curriculum alignment with youngstar groups working to raise their levels together inclusion

I do not necessarily need more training topics, I need children in my daycare

I would love to see a training on speech - 1. ways to encourage and strengthen and 2. signs of speech issues to look for. Managing behavior, parent relations, and child development classes are great.

State Licensing specialist to come out and talk about what they do and how they expect teachers to talk with them, etc. Parent Teacher Conferences - specific examples of how to run one Portfolios - specific examples of how to put one together Parent Resource files - specific ideas of how to put one together and how to use it Lesson Plans - Specific ideas of what it should look like

Training on the west side of Racine

Teaching Cycle, Observations, Discipline, WMELS, Pyramid

Webcasts would make it easier to participate in trainings when you live in western Racine County. Helping families to guide challenging behaviors at home. How to prepare children and parents for Kindegarten.

Information in the months have served my needs for my continuing education classes.

Music and movement arts and crafts

everything is being offered.

Are all child care centers in WI involved with Young Star? In the State of WI, how does common core effect the requirements of how a preschool/day care are run?

How to work with children that have Challenging behavior problem AD/HD

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Online trainings that I can do when convenient for me.

that they have some late classes. I have child care in the morning so it is hard to make it to any classes.

We specifically do school age before and after school programs, so more training for older programs would be nice.

Training opportunities that are 1-2 hours on various weekday evenings. could take my staff instead of having our regular meeting/training on site.

Workshops about lesson plans, environments, portfolios, etc.

Topics on working with special needs children. How to incorporate special needs with mainstream.

As many as possible.

Presentations on topics like: effective reading/math interventions for after school programs, successful after-school program models, educational barriers for poor/minority students.

Behavioral workshops.

Topics specific to school age care. For example, managing a school age program / staff, managing behavior in school age students, etc.

Behavior management staff retention

More train the trainer workshops especially for SBS.

Academic enrichment programs Effective communication between after school and school day staff

SCAN - MRT classes and WMELS (shorter workshops)

We are hoping to do the pyramid model training.

Recordkeeping, taxes (re: Family Childcare providers)

Business management, computer software, training to make graphs/charts. Setting up the curriculum. Assessment A child's daily routine - are we all together

More CPR trainings in the evening. Classes or workshops for directors/administrators. Topics on videogames or violence in today's society. How to help children cope.

workshops on how to get children to relax - deep breathing exercises.

Children's mental health

A training about behavior.

I think it would help to learn what is normal play activities/materials on age groups. I have seen a lot of inappropriate toys, activities (i.e. ABCs for 2 year olds!) and books.

New arts and crafts. New ideas finger plays and songs.

Would like some info on autistic children, symptoms, and how to work with them and their families. Also on bi-polar children.

Creating things from household items, art projects ideas, etc.

Dealing with stubborn, difficult children.

Someone in Racine needs to have classes to get staff the entry level required courses. Intro to child care group class; not on internet or a mail class.

Dealing with difficult children, potty training

Dealing with children that refuse to listen.

Please have an active, fun person to teach the younger child care staff how to sing, dance, and do large group games/activities like redlight, greenlight & simon says.... I have some young staff who do not know one finger play or child's song. What a good workshop it would be. They will need hand outs of the songs. This generation knows no music & dance.

developmentally appropriate activities for school age children appropriate activities for moderate to severe autistic children best practices for helping children diagnosed with ODD and OCD

People you can hire to come and present at your facility on engaging topics.

Pyramid Model, WMELS, Portfolios, and Curriculum

The copays can not be met by parents. I have a lot of trouble with this.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	58

## 4. What would you like the people who organize and provide the training and resources to know?

### Text Response

after a long day of teaching, 2 hour trainings are long enough, cant always make it by 6, maybe some that start at 630?

Don't always need a break

I have enjoyed the 2 classes that I have attended. However, the topics have been directed toward larger centers with bigger problems.

They do a great job

please remind the audience to be quiet so all can hear. there is always too much talking

It seems that the training are offered on the same week night. This past year I had a commitment for the night that the training seemed to be offered on so I wasn't able to attend.

Could you vary the night that training is offered? Repeating training topics makes sense but I am always looking for that new topic because I've been in the field along time. You might want to look at topics being presented at conferences and see if you could repeat some of them locally.

For those of us who open early (5:30 a.m.), I would like to see earlier trainings, if possible.

That people dont like when you give us the power points sheet to just read along with you for two hours interact with us and give us new ideas and get us involved

Where you can find good resources and websites for your class.

They do a great job

dont do every pyramid training on wednesdays or in the summer.

I live in a small town and I am right near a center so I can not get children because of the economy

Give more concrete information. Give samples that are specific. Too general makes it difficult for some teachers to get started. They need to have something to start with, then they can expand as they get more comfortable. Many times the information is too overwhelming for new people in the field to be able to use the information. Keeping it simple and then expanding it will help them.

Not to start before 6:30....many centers close at 6:00 and the closing staff have very limited opportunities to attend training

Many times I, as the director of a preschool, receive mailings that are not time sensitive. In other words we receive them the week of a training or after it has started. Earlier notification would be great for planning since many teachers have families and evening obligations they need more notice for participating in a training.

If possible classes in the kenosha county area. Thank You

nothing @this time

I think they should keep up to date with federal and state mandates.

Information , workshop ,material

nothing @this time

Difficult to get staff to give up an evening and not good for the kids to have their teacher gone for the day time hours.

Just have more age specific programs. I don't want to go to a training about babies when i deal with children ages 5 to 14 years of age.

Directors are very busy and without the mailings I would not make the time I should to go to websites and look for training opportunities. With the mailings, I can copy them when they come and put them in staff mailboxes.

Everything needs to be interesting and usable. We don't have time for more paperwork.

Make classes fun, exciting, and interesting. Give good examples and ideas to use in class.

Everything.

We work with a lot of volunteers so training would need to be very flexible. We are .. for training and partnership with training organizations. As an individual program budget for training is almost non-existent unless your agreement is district negotiated.

Sponsor more classes in Kenosha. Thank you for caring.

Tips and resources specific to school age child care.

Experience providing quality and engaging afterschool programs.

Trainings during the day are difficult for working staff. Trainings longer than 3 hours are hard to attend.

To offer a wide variety of trainings that can be utilized by owners and directors too. So much is entry level.

Many of the 4C trainings such as SIDS, SBS, and CPR are held during the day time hours when teachers are working. Evening hours would be so much better.

Practical applications are more important than theories. We want to know what to do.

Hands on activities are always a good way to learn.

I don't feel like the response card system. It would be a lot faster if we could write it down.

Knowledge in area of ways to keep things fresh and new.

They are doing a good job.

They do a wonderful job organizing and planning these workshops. I always find them helpful.

Trainings need to be fun, interactive, and interesting. These trainings are usually done after working 8 hours. They need to keep our attention. Things need to be geared more towards the age we teach.

Alot of us feel that 2 hours should be the time of a workshop, after working all day. We have to be at work the next morning at 7:00 a.m.

I know breaks are important, but long classes this late are hard when days start at 5:00 a.m.

That workshops with just talking are boring and people lose interest fast.

The training is too long after being at work all day.

Here at Christ Church Child Care we have a large gym. We can host cont. Ed here if a large area is needed, like say to dance and do the hokie pokie.

We are available for as a host site. I am a "Master Trainer" and would be more than happy to act as such.

A little more time before the training starts. We often have a day or two to register.

I can not get children at my daycare. Any suggestions? I have done door to door, sent flyers to every school.

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Total Responses	48

## 5. Which county do you live in?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Racine County	34	54%
2	Kenosha County	27	43%
3	Other	2	3%
	Total	63	100%

