EARLY CHILDHOOD ACADEMY



Presented by PEATC in collaboration with the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE)

A FREE self-paced online course for families of young children (birth through age six) with disabilities or developmental delays

Learn practical information to help get your child off to a great start and set a foundation for lifelong learning!



Spring: May 14 - June 18

Register <u>HERE</u>



Summer: August 6 - September 10

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Early childhood is a critical time of developmental growth; early learning helps our children develop the skills necessary to be successful in school and life.





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You are your child's **first and most important teacher.** Your involvement in the early years is essential to setting a strong foundation for their lifelong learning and success.

In this **FREE 5-week online program**, families of children with disabilities learn about supporting their child's early learning and development – from developmental milestones to tips on our most frequently asked questions including information on making the transition from early intervention to school services easier.

Early Childhood Academy is designed so busy families can **learn on their own schedule** with new sessions opening weekly and available anytime – day or night. Participants who complete all sessions receive a certificate of completion with 7 contact hours.

Learn about -

- Key roles in parent engagement
- Parents as first teachers
- Importance of accessible and inclusive early education
- Developmental milestones *with updated guidelines
- Supporting language development and encouraging positive behaviors
- Benefits of Assistive Technology
- Preparing children with disabilities for school
- Early intervention and early childhood special education services



