



IHE Pre-Service Faculty ECHO Fall 2024 Series “Partnering with Families”

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of Personnel Development Pre-Service
Group

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Arizona Early Childhood Professional Development Collaborative

We work to increase collaboration and communication between and amongst transdisciplinary IHE faculty and collaborators to work toward more coherent pre-service programs of study and workforce pathways in early childhood, early intervention, and early childhood special education.



Join us for a four-part virtual series on DEC standard 2, “Partnering with Families”

The course will address a significant gap in early childhood special education and early intervention training, identified through a survey sent to over 300 faculty members in Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) across Arizona. The feedback from this survey highlights an urgent need for professional development that **equips educators with the skills to build strong, collaborative relationships with families**. Stakeholders emphasized that effective family partnerships are essential for supporting the developmental progress of young children with special needs, aligning with the Division for Early Childhood (DEC) standards.

As Arizona continues prioritizing inclusive practices and family-centered approaches, the course will be crucial in preparing future professionals. By focusing on evidence-based strategies for engaging families as equal partners, this series will ensure that students are well-prepared to meet the growing demands of early childhood settings across the state.

This series is designed for Transdisciplinary Faculty in pre-service programs preparing professionals for early childhood care and education settings, early intervention, early childhood special education, family support, and home visitors, including but not limited to:

- early childhood, early childhood special education,
- physical therapy, speech-language pathology, occupational therapy, and audiology,
- social work, family studies, child development, psychology
- other related fields and other collaborators

Thursday mornings, 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

September 12, 19, 26, and October 3

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All sessions are held virtually through the iECHO platform