

ARKANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION
57th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
October 11-13, 2018, Little Rock Marriott
CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The AECA Conference is an opportunity to interact and network with early care and education professionals around the state. Interest Sessions are for child care providers and educators in the early childhood field. Interest Sessions are one and one-half hours in length and should focus on practices, trends and issues in early care and education, birth to age eight. The theme for this year's conference is "Celebrate Childhood: Let Them Be Little." The Association wants to focus on developmentally appropriate instruction in classrooms.

There are 8 competency areas your proposed Interest Session may fall under.

COMPETENCY AREAS

1. Child Growth and Development
2. Learning Environment and Curriculum
3. Positive Interactions and Guidance
4. Family and Community
5. Child Observation and Assessment
6. Health, Safety, and Nutrition
7. Professional Development and Leadership
8. Program Planning and Management

TARGET AUDIENCE (specialty area of participants)

1. Infants and Toddlers (6 weeks-3 years)
2. Preschool (3-5 years)
3. School Age
4. Head Start
5. Arkansas Better Chance
6. Faith Based
7. After School
8. Administrators
9. Trainers
10. Home Visitors
11. Other – please specify

LEVEL OF TRAINING

1. Foundation
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

EXPENSES

No AECA Funds are available for presenter expenses. All presenters must pre-register for the conference. AECA will not furnish additional audio-visual equipment.

Presenters must agree to the Presenter Agreement and submit a vita.

PROCEDURE

Proposals for presenting an interest session should include:

- A. Title of presentation
- B. Lead presenter: Name, Address, Summer address (if applicable), Telephone numbers, Email address, Employer name, Brief professional bio, PDR Number (if needed, specialized trainers will be approved by the AECA Board)
- C. Co-Presenter(s): Name, Address, Telephone numbers, Email address, Employer name, Brief professional bio(s)
- D. Target audience (choose from the left).
- E. Competency area addressed (choose from the left)
- F. Level of Training (choose from the left)
- G. Whether you would repeat this session
- H. List of learning objectives and/or outline of session topic and format (200 words or less)
- I. 20 – 30 word session description that will go in the conference program
- J. Other requests (if applicable)

2. Submit your proposal electronically at:

<http://www.arkansasearlychildhood.org/conference/presenters.html>

3. Proposals must be received by May 21, 2018.

4. Letters of acceptance will be emailed by June 15, 2018.

For more information about the

2018 AECA Conference visit:

www.arkansasearlychildhood.org