May 2022  Coordinator’s Report

- Grant review program grid distributed, Grant submission completed and on time.
- St Peter’s update- all families given opportunity to enroll at other centers. Spaces divided between DPS Cottage St, Action ELC and LPLC
- Teacher appreciation day at Barnes and Noble will be Wednesday, May 18th, from 2-7pm- includes all programs/FCC that attended 4 or more PD offerings this year.
- This Saturday is the Early childhood Resource Fair from 10-1pm At the Sports Dome. We will be encouraging parents to sign up for programs run through the Parenting grant as well as giving information out regarding School Readiness.

Legislatively: no direct increase for SR and CDC programs- working with Senator Kushner on the impact of the lack of funding on programs

- \$70 million to provide stabilization grants to the industry. OEC will develop guidelines and the application process to make grants on or after August 1st.
- \$30 million for School Readiness and CDC programs.
- \$25 million will be used to raise infant-toddler rates for the existing 1522 slots in CDCs to \$13,500 pre-child and to add another 1315 new slots. OEC will have to do an RFP process to assign those new slots to providers who apply for them.
- \$15 million will be available for classroom construction or renovation
- \$10 million for Care4Kids
- \$ 6.5 million for two separate apprenticeship line items
- \$5 million for Birth to 3 providers
- \$2.3 million for community health workers & home visiting, and
Final QE offerings for the year:

• 3/29/22 **Family Engagement in the Cycle of Intentional Teaching** (English & Spanish)- Lori Borysewicz & Jolie Garfinkel
• 4/7/22 **Kindergarten, Here We Come!** -Jennifer Traver & Joshua Giannone DPS
• 4/12/22 **Social Emotional – Challenging Behaviors: Schedules & Routines** – Lisa Swain
• 4/26/22 **Pairing Fiction & Non-fiction Books to Enhance Science**- Jennifer Traver & Marie Timan-Skok
• 4/28/22 **STEM: Natural Connections** – Nate Munro CT STEM
• 5/10/22 **Social Emotional: Helping Children Learn Problem Solving Skills Through the Pyramid Model**- Lisa Swain *(On site coaching available post coursework)*
• 5/12/22 **STEM: Rockets & Robots**- Nate Munro CT STEM
• 5/16/22 **Reflecting on Anti-Bias Education in Action: The Early Years Roundtable** – Michelle Anderson
• 6/9/22 **Creating Staff & Parent Handbooks that meet OEC, NAEYC and School Readiness Standards** – Jennifer Traver

Plans are underway for the August 26th community wide ECE PD day. We will have four tracks: Infant and Toddler. Preschool, Spanish and director groups. Beckers School Supply will be providing some presenters and will help sponsor the event. We are also trying to get on the DPS calendar for next year to do cooperative training with K teachers.