



Welcome to the first official newsletter of
**EDUCARE SEATTLE AND LEARNING COMMUNITIES
FOUNDATION!**

We welcome donors, families, staff and our local community to join us in creating opportunities in early education!

The [Learning Communities Foundation](#) (LCF) was established to support the work of [Puget Sound Education Service District](#) by enhancing the quality of programs and services provided through Educare Seattle and more. Given that the primary focus of the LCF is to create financial sustainability for Educare, we feel it is important that our donors, families and community members receive quarterly updates about Educare as well as LCF.

Our hope is that this newsletter will provide you with a way to stay connected to us, as we bring you exciting news, upcoming events and program updates, as well as opportunities to continue to be involved in our efforts as an organization. Our hope is that you share this good news with others, as we extend and grow our village of support.

We are forever grateful for the ways that you continuously advocate for equity in early learning.



Warmly,

Wendy Armour

Director

Learning Communities Foundation

**RED NOSE DAY
IS COMING!**



Thursday, May 23, 2019

**RED
NOSE
DAY**

Red Nose Day is all about making it fun to come together to raise money and

awareness for children who need our help most, in America and around the world. Red Nose Day's mission is to end child poverty - one nose at a time.

This year, Red Nose Day is on May 23.

As one of the nation's most diverse and effective networks of early childhood schools, the Educare Learning Network gives young children in underserved communities the best chance for success in life. Educare Seattle is proud to be a part of the Educare Learning Network and a grantee of Red Nose Day USA. Together, we are sharing best practices through peer led professional learning opportunities that foster culturally and linguistically responsive curriculum and instructional strategies.

For more information, follow Red Nose Day on social media, grab a Red Nose at Walgreens and tune in on May 23.



EDUCARE BEST PRACTICES TRAININGS

Looking for ways to grow your teaching practices?

Quality teaching strategies paired with continuous learning and improvement are essential to help early childhood professionals prepare young children for success.

Educare's new high-quality teaching practices training offers strategies for early learning teachers and program leaders to further develop their knowledge and skills.

Facilitators from Educare Seattle and Puget Sound Educational Service District will explore the essential elements that lead to elevated teaching and learning.

Educators will:

Learn how they can incorporate high-quality teaching strategies and vocabulary into their daily practice.

Program leaders will:

Find out how they can best support their staff and ensure they have access to the latest early learning strategies.

TRAINING BENEFITS

- Apply the latest research in teaching practices to provide high-quality services for young children and families.
- Learn how to meet national requirements and rigorous standards for program quality in the early childhood field.
 - Receive free training in Seattle (White Center) or Renton.
 - Earn 14 STARS Hours!
- Meet Early Achiever guidelines for professional development.

The How of High Quality Teaching Practices

Two Registration Options:

May 22 & May 29 @ PSESD
800 Oakesdale Ave SW, Renton, WA 98057

or

June 12 & 13
Educare Seattle
625 100th St, Seattle WA 98146

Time:
10:00am –5:00pm
Lunch provided

[REGISTER ONLINE](#)

or

Call 206-478-0199 for more information



Learning Communities Foundation is hosting a community welcome and open house on Wednesday, June 12.

Join us for an open house to learn more about the services/programs Educare Seattle offers in the White Center Community including:

- Head Start and Early Head Start Programs
 - Seattle Preschool Program
 - Full Day, Full Year Childcare
- Trainings for Early Learning Providers
- Foster Parent Support Group
- Drop in Play and Learn Group hosted by White Center Community Development Association
- Neighborhood House Early Head Start Home Visiting Services
- Somali Health Board sponsored Perinatal Services
- Community Room Reservations
- Food and Clothing Pantry

Educare Seattle Community Partners Open House and Tour

Wednesday, June 12
Educare Seattle
625 SW 100th St, Seattle, WA 98146
Door prizes, and light refreshments provided

Call 206-716-8800 for more information

HARVARD FRONTIERS OF INNOVATION STUDIES EDUCARE'S PARENT AMBASSADORS PROGRAM



Frontiers of Innovation is designed to accelerate the development and adoption of science-based innovations that achieve breakthrough impact at scale.

Educare Seattle is proud to partner with schools and Parent Ambassadors in Washington, Colorado, Miami, Maine and Illinois to provide training and technical assistance to parents across the country who are forming grassroots leadership groups. Together, our goal is to develop and scale parent leadership and advocacy programs where parents lead public policy initiatives that impact young children and families.

Educare Seattle Parent Ambassadors recently met with other schools to develop strong programming and will participate in the Ounce of Prevention's Policy Exchange in Chicago on June 26-28.

"The goal of early childhood education should be to activate the child's own natural desire to learn."

-Maria Montessori



The Learning Communities Foundation is dedicated to raising funds to

meet the critical needs of children and families through the services of Educare Seattle. We are a tax exempt organization; all donations are tax deductible! Help us in our quest to make sure all kids have access to high quality early learning education- donate now!

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