

## ***Here is what others said after attending the LEA Early Childhood Leadership Institute...***

- “I got some really good ideas on how to better incorporate the church with the preschool.”
- “I like the brainstorming we did on how to more effectively supervise my staff.”
- “I am taking away some great ideas on how to deal with my staff who are not performing to my expectations, as well as how to reach out more effectively to families who are hurting.”
- “I learned about hiring and firing, and handling conflict.”

**COME JOIN US...YOU’LL BE GLAD YOU DID!**

### **Hear what others had to say...**

- “How reassuring to hear other directors are experiencing the same things I am!”
- “I am energized to return to my center and get started again!”
- “I made some new friends and I enjoyed the chance to build each other up.”
- “WOW—a lot of information to take back to my preschool.”
- “This is my first LCMS conference, the networking of knowledge with peers is so encouraging.”
- “I feel so renewed and refreshed—thanks!”
- “I especially enjoyed sharing ideas related to ministry.”



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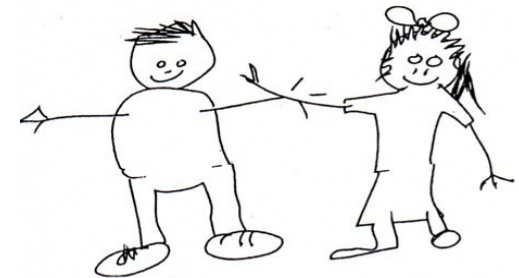
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## **Lutheran Education Association**

Linking, equipping and affirming educators in Lutheran ministries.



## **LEA Early Childhood Leadership Institute**



With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of His calling, and that by His power He may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith. 2 Thessalonians 1:11

# LEA Early Childhood Learning Institute

## Who?

The Early Childhood Leadership Institute is designed for...

- Early childhood directors of freestanding centers, centers attached to elementary schools, or within elementary schools
- District early childhood consultants
- Principals and pastors of school/congregations with early childhood centers
- Early childhood directors new to LCMS
- Lead teachers who demonstrate leadership potential
- Assistant directors
- Lay leaders and administrators in new pre-school start-ups or who work with children and families
- District education executives
- Members of early childhood cabinets and accreditation commissions
- Anyone who desires to grow in leadership

## What?

The Early Childhood Leadership Institute includes:

- Bible study and devotions
- Large and small group sharing and discussion
- Videos, role playing, creative art activities, fellowship, self reflections, sharing of resources, scenarios, and brainstorming ideas
- Your choice among a variety of sessions

## Where?

The Early Childhood Leadership Institute can be organized and presented as any of the following options:

- A pre-conference session prior to a district's early childhood conference
- A series of sessions for registered participants during a district's early childhood conference, with participation in worship and keynote addresses
- A separate, independent leadership institute within your district
- A combined leadership institute among neighboring districts
- The Early Childhood Leadership Institute can be held at a church, school, district office, or hotel.

## When?

Lutheran Education Association will work in partnership with your district in selecting a format and schedule that will meet your needs and interests

## Cost?

The cost of the Early Childhood Leadership Institute is dependent upon the following:

- Location
- Length
- Meals and housing for participants and institute leaders
- Transportation cost of institute leaders
- Administrative costs associated with the institute

## Modules

- *Qualities of a Great Director*
- *Strengthening the Relationship between the Church and the Early Childhood Center*
- *Strengthening the Relationship between the Church and the School—Sharing Facilities and Materials*
- *Strengthening the Relationship between the Church and the School—the Relationship between the Director and the Board of Education*
- *Strengthening Staff Relationships*
- *Strengthening Relationships with Parents—the Director and Families*
- *Strengthening the Relationships with Parents—Helping the Hurting Family*
- *Strengthening the Relationships with Parents—Ministering to Children with Special Needs*
- *Strengthening the Relationships with Parents—Multicultural Ministry in Our Classrooms*
- *Strengthening Relationships—Advocacy*
- *Immersion*
- *The Director as Manager—the Enrollment Dilemma*
- *The Director as Manager—the case of the Overdue Fees*
- *The Director as Supervisor—Staffing for Quality*
- *The Director as Supervisor—Mentoring Quality Staff*
- *The Director as Visionary Leader—Philosophy, Mission, and Purpose Statements*
- *The Director as Visionary Leader—Vision Statements*
- *Intentional and Purposeful Evangelism to our Preschool Families*
- *The Pastor's Active Involvement and Visibility in the Early Childhood Ministry*