

WECAN 2026-27 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

WECAN Professional Development Online Event

The Art of Meeting Every Child

PART 1 - Breathing Well in a Breathless World

with Stephanie Hoelscher and Holly Koteen Soule

Monday, October 26, 2026 at 2:00 HT / 5:00 PT / 6:00 MT / 7:00 CT / 8:00 ET

PART 2 - Sources for our Strength as Early Childhood Educators

with Laurie Clark and Ruth Ker

Monday, November 2, 2026 at 3:00 HT / 5:00 PT / 6:00 MT / 7:00 CT / 8:00 ET



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WECAN Professional Development Online Event

Nurturing Childhood in the Digital Age

With Janene Ping and Lisa Pitillo

PART 1 - Understanding Media & Childhood

Monday, February 22, 2027, at 3:00 HT / 5:00 PT / 6:00 MT / 7:00 CT / 8:00 ET

PART 2 - Bringing it into Practice

Tuesday, February 23, 2027, at 3:00 HT / 5:00 PT / 6:00 MT / 7:00 CT / 8:00 ET



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Growing Community

Programs for Children and Those Who Care for Them

with Somer Serpe, Anjum Mir and Katherine Scharff

Tuesday, January 19, 2027 at 3:00 HT / 5:00 PT / 6:00 MT / 7:00 CT / 8:00 ET



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WECAN Professional Development Events are for educators. Every year, we listen carefully to the questions that arise from your work with children. In response, we create resources to support you in addressing those questions. Not necessarily with answers, but with thoughtful exploration that may bring new ideas and understanding. We strive to keep these online offerings accessible.

The first offering is inspired by questions from those of you working with children: “How can I support the diverse needs of the children in my classroom?” In response, the WECAN Research Group has developed a two-part presentation to support you in your classrooms.

The second event will address the question: How do we support children and families in the rapidly changing media landscape? In this two-part event, we will consider current research, foundational developmental principles, and the role of the educational environment in nurturing healthy childhood development.

Our final event is a birth-to-three offering: What makes a family/caregiver & child program meaningful today, and how can we build strong, connected communities? The presenters invite educators, enrollment staff, administrators, and parents to join the conversation.

Join us for these inspiring online events! You will receive a certificate of participation at the end of the final presentation. (Please note: Certificates will only be issued to those who attend the live event.) Each session is 1-1/2 hours long. Two-part events total three hours. We will record the events and share them with registered participants.