

TEACHING DUAL-LANGUAGE LEARNERS: EXPLORATION IN BEST PRACTICES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

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Even the most experienced teacher can feel a bit unsure about meeting the unique needs of young children, ages 3-6 from different language backgrounds. Learning a second language takes time, effort, motivation, use and instruction. Teachers must learn to accept a child's silence, use alternative communication strategies, embrace families as partners in education and understand the cultural roles, values, traditions and languages that influence children. Likewise, if you are working with young children who are dual-language learners (DLLs) and have special needs, this challenge can sometimes appear even more overwhelming.

Join us as explore best practices and practical strategies and application of teaching and serving young dual-language learners and their families! We will look at local resources, national publications and recent research to guide our discussion and help you implement best practices into your teaching. A book on the topic will be purchased for all who join and plan to attend the follow-up meetings. Although no credit will be offered, consider using this as a free professional development opportunity for your own growth, to support your PDP, Educator Effectiveness, and/or as trade-off time (per your district's approval)! Topics will include:

- Facts and tips for serving young DLLs; strategies to improve their language development
- Recommendations for working with young DLLs and their families
- Screening and assessment of young DLLs
- Classroom set up to improve and engage language skills for all children
- Teacher behaviors to support DLLs in the classroom
- Serving young DLLs with special education needs
- Individualizing education and RTI considerations for DLLs



Please [Register Here](#) on or before July 1st as space is limited!

If you can't attend on the 25th but would like to be involved in future meetings, please contact Jen Kalis for more information.

VIA GOTO MEETING!

- **MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2014**
- **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014**
- **MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2015**
- **MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015**
- **MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015**

- 4K TEACHERS
- ECSE TEACHERS
- THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING YOUNG DUAL-LANGUAGE LEARNERS AND WANT TO IMPROVE PRACTICE

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