

THE 8TH ANNUAL COLORADO EARLY CHILDHOOD SUMMIT

JUNE 4-6, 2025
BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO

School Readiness for Each and Every Child: More Than Just Academic Preparedness

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School readiness is more than just academic preparedness; it involves fostering social-emotional development, implementing positive behavioral supports, and ensuring schools are ready to meet the diverse needs of each and every child, including children with disabilities. This interactive workshop is designed for administrators, teachers, and early childhood staff who work with children ages birth to age five with disabilities. Participants will explore key topics including addressing challenging behaviors, creating "ready schools," providing social and academic supports, engaging parents, and reducing exclusionary practices like suspension and expulsion. The Summit will include discussions, hands-on activities, case studies, and collaborative planning to ensure that each and every child, including children with disabilities, has access to high-quality, inclusive early learning environments that set them up for long-term success. This Summit balances research-based content with interactive discussions and planning to help participants apply strategies in their own schools and classrooms.

Tentative Agenda

June 4th

12:30-1:00 p.m. - Registration
1:00-4:00 p.m. - Join us for a half-day of community building, digging into the Colorado context for School Readiness and supporting all students, including students with disabilities. You will hear from the Colorado Department of Education and the Colorado Department of Early Childhood about state-specific resources to enhance successful learners as they move to kindergarten.

June 5th

8:00-9:00 a.m. - Breakfast Provided
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - Dr. Erin Barton
12:00-1:00 p.m. - Lunch Provided
1:00-4:00 p.m. - Dr. Erin Barton

June 6th

8:00-9:00 a.m. - Breakfast Provided
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - Dr. Erin Barton
12:00-1:00 p.m. - Wrap up

Beaver Run Resort and Conference Center

Each participant will reserve and pay for their own lodging. A block of rooms is available at a reduced rate for participants, cost starts from \$181. Additional accommodations are available in the area.

Registration

Begins March 1, 2025 and ends by May 1, 2025
Sessions: half-day on the 4th, full-day on the 5th, and half-day on the 6th
Includes: breakfast & lunch on June 5th, breakfast on June 6th, and internet access each day.

Full Summit registration - \$200.00*

*You may receive one graduate credit from the University of Northern Colorado for full Summit participation for an additional charge.



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