

## CLOSING THE GAP IN EARLY LANGUAGE AND LITERACY PREDICTORS

**SEEDS of Learning™** is a set of early literacy and language frameworks designed to support childhood educators and other adults in ensuring kindergarten readiness through balanced and high-quality interactions. Our method is based on science, has been rigorously tested and proven to work for all children.



### SENSITIVITY

Adults look, listen, and ask questions to become aware of children's needs, thoughts, abilities, and feelings.



### ENCOURAGEMENT

Adults use intentional affirmations and positive non-verbal communication to create a shared positive learning environment.



### EDUCATION

Adults embed the "Big 5" literacy skills into daily routine.



### DEVELOPMENT OF SKILLS THROUGH DOING

Adults help children to explore their world through hands-on learning.



### SELF-IMAGE SUPPORT

Adults provide a balance of the previous four elements, which help to support the children's feelings of being lovable, respected, and capable.

Our mission is to ensure every child is a fluent reader by grade 3

ORAL LANGUAGE

PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS

PRINT CONCEPTS

ALPHABETIC PRINCIPLE

VOCABULARY AND MEANING

## FAMILY CHILD CARE

SEEDS supports educators to:

- 🌟 Increase child confidence and capability through safety and respect
- 🌟 Increase equitable outcomes for children using evidence-based interventions in predictive literacy skills
- 🌟 Increase educator efficacy through a research-based skill development cycle

### Who is it for?

- 🌟 Child care providers working in family-based child care programs, as well as their assistants.

Kindergarten-readiness is linked to becoming literate. SEEDS of Learning™ for Family Child care is proven to accelerate growth in five predictive literacy indicators. It consists of evidence-based strategies that are rooted in relationships, language, and reading science.

We support the effectiveness of strategies through asset-based coaching and training. We assess what is already working within a provider's program, assess opportunities for increased impact, and support the implementation and progress monitoring.

### TRAINING

- 🌟 Predictors of Early Literacy
- 🌟 Quality interactions
- 🌟 Daily embedded and explicit instruction
- 🌟 Literacy- and Math-Rich Schedule
- 🌟 Shared positive interactions
- 🌟 Five behaviors of a SEEDS-Quality Teacher

### COACHING

- 🌟 Hands-on Implementation
- 🌟 Coaching & Feedback

