Supporting Preschool Children and Families

Building Relationships with Children & Families and a Look at Behavior Management

A 3-session virtual event: One unique 2-hour session topic will be presented on **Tuesdays, October 14, 21, & 28, 2025,** from **10 AM – 12 PM CT** (11 AM- 1 PM ET, 9 AM – 11 AM MT, 8 AM – 10 AM PT).

Supporting Preschool Children and Families is a series of three live training sessions exploring the social and emotional development of preschool-age children, including discussions on managing behaviors and working with families.

Social and emotional development is where all learning begins! Children must be emotionally developed before they can learn to interact with others in appropriate ways. Managing behaviors and making environmental changes will drastically help in preparing children to be ready to enter school prepared.

Each of the **Supporting Preschool Children and Families** sessions will build on each other over the course of three weeks:

- **Tuesday, October 14, 10 am – Noon CST: Session 1**— *Building Relationships with Children* – A closer look at social and emotional development and how it impacts the relationships children build with each other and their important adults.

- **Tuesday, October 21, 10 am - Noon CST: Session 2** – *Behavior Management* – A discussion on how behaviors in early childhood affect relationships, leading to being ready for kindergarten.

- **Tuesday, October 28, 10 am – Noon CST: Session 3** – *Building Relationships with Families* – A look at how building relationships with families builds their capacity for success in their child being ready for kindergarten and in supporting the family to be successful
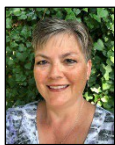
Join us for this three-part training session as we talk about building children's self-esteem, managing behaviors, and working with families. We will discuss strategies, challenges you may have, and how to build relationships with both children, the family, and each other.

It does take a village, and supporting each other is so important. Come join a village and we can learn together! Seating is limited! **Registration is only available until October 1, 2025. The Registration Fee is $450 per person.** For details on registering, please see page 4.

Learning Outcomes

★ Participants will explore preschool-age social and emotional development and how that affects the teacher/child relationship.

★ Participants will share strategies on managing behaviors and share experiences in their program.

★ Participants will discuss and explore how building positive relationships with families impacts the classroom.

Your Presenter

Sherri Meyer, Early Childhood Specialist, has worked in the early childhood field since 1992. She has a BA in Elementary Education with a Middle School Math Endorsement and an MA in Education in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education from Birth to Age 5, both from Western Kentucky University. She has worked with children from birth to school age in child care, Head Start, and Early Head Start. Sherri has much experience working with early care and education professionals in providing training and technical assistance. She continues to enjoy being a part-time faculty member at WKU's Applied Human Sciences FACS department, working with individuals interested in the early childhood field.

(T/TAS reserves the right to substitute presenters.)

Tentative Agenda
Central Time Zone
Training consists of 3 separate virtual sessions.
Sessions are live. No recordings will be available.

Tuesday, October 14, 10:00 AM - Noon CST

Session 1: *Building Relationships with Children* – Our conversations will begin with exploring how children learn emotionally and socially in early childhood settings.

Tuesday, October 21, 10:00 AM - Noon CST

Session 2: *Behavior Management* – Secondly, we will take what was discussed and build on the social and emotional part of learning to explore those behaviors that are often seen in early childhood. We will explore how these behaviors affect the relationships needed in order to teach children and prepare them for school.

Tuesday, October 28, 10:00 AM - Noon CST

Session 3: Building Relationships *with Families* – Finally, we will explore how to continue this relationship building with the families we serve in order to better support them in our community.

IMPORTANT Participation and Technology Information Required to Participate

★ We *highly* recommend participating from a desktop or laptop computer, as opposed to a mobile device, for the best participation and audiovisual experience. A high-speed internet connection is recommended as the training may be bandwidth-intensive at times.

★ Participants must register individually and must have a valid and active individual e-mail address to participate. Groups of individuals cannot participate using a single e-mail address.

★ **This event will require you to access the T/TAS online learning management system, TalentLMS.**

- Participants will be sent an email before the start date with a link to log in to the training.
- New users of T/TAS TalentLMS will be required to create a unique password on their first login. Return users to T/TAS TalentLMS can log in with their previously created password.
- After you sign into T/TAS TalentLMS, your training will be set up as a course for you to work through to access instructions, content, and resource files, including the agenda and the live session links.
- You can log in to T/TAS TalentLMS through any internet browser from your computer or mobile device. Some content in T/TAS TalentLMS requires that your browser accept third-party cookies to prevent compatibility issues.
- If you have technical issues logging in or viewing content, contact T/TAS at ttas.info@wku.edu or 800-882-7482.
- Participants may experience delays in accessing the training based on the speed and reliability of their computer or mobile device and internet access.

★ **The event will also require you to access the Zoom Video Conferencing website or app.**

 − **Sessions are live. No recordings will be available.**

 − If you are participating in the live Zoom session on a *desktop or laptop computer*, you will find the Zoom link in your T/TAS TalentLMS training content. We recommend participants create a free Zoom account with their FIRST and LAST name before the event starts at **https://zoom.us/freesignup/**. You may be asked to install the free Zoom program.

 − If you are participating in the live Zoom session on a *mobile device*, you will need to install the free Zoom Cloud Meetings app to join the session.

★ Participants may experience delays in accessing the training based on the speed and reliability of their computer or mobile device and internet access.

★ Participants are responsible for the completion of the event within the stated timeframe.

Registering for T/TAS Virtual Events

It is easy to register for events sponsored by T/TAS! Register online for any T/TAS virtual event. Visit our website at **www.ttas.org**, locate the event for which you wish to register, and then click on the Register button.

Payment Policy: *Payment or Purchase Order is due at the time of registration.* **Registrations received without a copy of the Purchase Order or payment by check or credit card will not be confirmed to participate in this virtual event. Spots will be held temporarily, and the Cancellation Policy applies.**

Registration Deadline: Unless the event fills first, registrations for this virtual event must be received by October 1, 2025. As this is a self-paced event, registration will remain open well past the start date.

Enrollment is Limited: T/TAS cannot guarantee enrollment at virtual events. If available enrollment slots are filled, you will have the option of being placed on a waiting list in case there is an opening due to cancellations.

Confirmation of Registration: Registrations can only be confirmed by e-mail. Please provide a unique email address for the participants. If an administrator needs to receive a copy of the confirmation, please include the administrative email address on the Group Contact Profile. If you do not receive a confirmation within five days of registering for the event, please contact the T/TAS office at **ttas.register@wku.edu** or call 800-882-7482.

Cancellations/Substitutions Policy: To obtain a refund of registration fees (less a $75 enrollment charge), cancellations must be received by email to **ttas.register@wku.edu**. If you do not receive an email confirmation of your cancellation from T/TAS within 3 business days, you must call 800-882-7482 to confirm your cancellation email was received to be eligible for the refund. Substitutions can be made up to the cancellation deadline date if the registrant has not yet logged into the training management system. **To receive a partial refund, cancellation must be made within 10 business days of the registration confirmation email.** *After the cancellation deadline date, no refunds will be provided, and the full invoiced amount will be due.*

T/TAS reserves the right to cancel the event if enrollment criteria are not met or when conditions beyond our control prevail. In the event of cancellation, each registrant will be contacted. The liability of T/TAS is limited to the refund of registration fees only.

Photo/Video/Recording Policies: Recording or taking images of this event is not permitted, including the use of AI assistants. Participants in this event may be recorded. By registering for the event, authorization is given by you to be included in any recordings made of live webinars or meeting sessions of this event in connection with T/TAS' programs, publications, the Internet, and public websites. T/TAS and any employees, officers, and associates, as well as any assignees, are released from any and all claims for damages for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or any other claim based on the use of the above-described material(s).

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