

Early Head Start BITES:

Behaviors, **I**nteractions, **T**ransitions-&- **T**emperaments, **E**nvironments, and **S**chool **R**eadiness

A 5-session virtual event: One unique 2-hour session topic will be presented every Thursday from May 7, 2026, through June 4, 2026, at 12:00 – 2:00 PM CST.

Early Head Start BITES is a series dedicated to learning the appropriate practices for engaging infants and toddlers while guiding and understanding the behaviors of infants and toddlers. The event will provide 10 clock hours of training that will be beneficial for Early Head Start teaching staff, family child care staff, home visitors, center managers, and anyone else interested in understanding how to appropriately engage and guide children's behavior in Early Head Start.



Thursday, May 7, 12:00-2:00 PM CST, Session 1: Behaviors – The first session of the series is dedicated to understanding the behaviors of infants and toddlers and thinking about why they behave the way that they do. This session will also review the Early Head Start regulatory requirements related to behavior management.

Thursday, May 14, 12:00-2:00 PM CST, Session 2: Interactions – This session discusses using interactions to engage children and encourage positive approaches in guiding behaviors and maintaining appropriate interactions in Early Head Start.

Thursday, May 21, 12:00-2:00 PM CST, Session 3: Transitions & Temperaments – This session will define the three different types of transitions that Early Head Start staff work through regularly. Daily transitions are an important key to setting the tone for daily routines and encouraging appropriate behaviors.

Thursday, May 28, 12:00-2:00 PM CST, Session 4: Environments – The actual learning environments, both indoors and outdoors, impact how children act and interact. This session will focus on the environment, how environments are arranged, the materials and equipment available, and how the environment impacts behaviors.

Thursday, June 4, 12:00-2:00 PM CST, Session 5: School Readiness – This session will be the last of our series. We will take this time to discuss the social and emotional outcomes that are expected for Early Head Start children and how to ensure appropriate practices while encouraging school readiness.

Seating is limited! Registration is only available until **April 30, 2026**. The Standard Registration Fee is **\$675** per person.

Learning Outcomes

- ★ Participants will examine the regulations related to Early Head Start behavior management.
- ★ Participants will explore strategies that are meaningful for all infants and toddlers to encourage appropriate behaviors.
- ★ Participants will identify appropriate schedules and interactions for daily routines in Early Head Start.
- ★ Participants will investigate temperaments and how to appropriately manage behaviors based on individual temperaments.
- ★ Participants will define social and emotional outcomes for Early Head Start children.

Your Presenter



Amy Hood, EdD, T/TAS Executive Director, Infant/Toddler & Early Childhood Specialist, has a Doctorate in Child and Youth Studies, an MA in Early Childhood, and a B.S. in Child Development.

She is the Director of the Family Child Care Network of KY and has served as an adjunct faculty member at Western Kentucky University. Dr. Amy Hood has worked extensively with Early Head Start administrators and caregivers since Early Head Start began and is an expert on Early Head Start. She was an EHS Coordinator with a Wave I program and has provided training and technical assistance to Early Head Start programs across the United States. Dr. Hood is certified in all four modules of the Program for Infant-Toddler Caregivers and has been certified reliable on the Toddler CLASS tool. (T/TAS reserves the right to substitute presenters.)

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.**

Tentative Agenda

Central Time Zone

Training consists of 5 separate virtual sessions.

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- 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 start date at <https://zoom.us/freesignup/>. You may be asked to install the free Zoom program file.
 - 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.

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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 **April 30, 2026**. 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 fill, 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 participant. 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 \$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's 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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