



Interest Driven Learning

Session 3 of 3 *Infants and Toddlers*

Series Goals

1. Leaders and teachers will develop knowledge, skills and dispositions in their role as teacher researchers.
2. Leaders and teachers will develop their ability to work in partnership with families to understand and nurture children's development.
3. Leaders and teachers will develop their ability to support children in constructing their own knowledge based on their curiosity and driven by their interests.

Session 3 Objectives

Teacher-researchers will learn to use the cycle of intentional teaching and learning to **individualize** instruction and engage families for children by:

1. Recording high quality, objective observations of children.
2. Collecting and reflecting on a collection of work samples across time.
3. Using authentic assessment to analyze children's development.
4. Partnering with families to understand and plan for children's development.

AGENDA

Welcome

Teacher as Researcher

Objective Observations/Strength Based Perspectives

Authentic Assessment

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What Do Families Know?

Children Learn Best When the Adults in Their Lives Work in Partnership with One Another

Documentation

Setting Intentions