Puget Sound Educational Service District

EARLY LEARNING

ADVOCACY DAY

February 20th, 2020
Washington State Early Learning Advocacy Day

- Your Center and PSESD Early Learning participates every year.

- Early Learning Action Alliance, Washington State Association of Head Start & ECEAP and Child Care Aware hosts this opportunity and we are a major partner.

- Early Learning parents and staff from all over the state attend!
WHAT IS ADVOCACY DAY?

WHAT CAN I EXPECT?
Bus to the RL Hotel in Olympia

- Bus stops in King and Pierce counties
- If you are bringing your children, consider driving yourself
- Children may ride the charter buses. If you choose to bring a child or children and you want your child in a car seat, you must provide the car seat
- It is a long day, please consider this when deciding to bring your children
Could be a Sunny or a Rainy Day.....

• Dress for the weather

• WEAR RED!!!
Arrive at the RL Hotel
PSESD and Center Staff

Parent Leaders and Staff from PSESD Early Learning and centers like yours will be available to answer questions.

Look for people wearing this button and Red Hats!
Advocacy Training

Group training with other Early Learning parents and staff from across the state
You’ll sit with other parents that live near you – in the same State Legislative District
Sometimes…

• There are reporters and new cameras to capture the action!

• Be sure to watch the new that night
Lunch and Plans

• Boxed lunches are provided for free

• During lunch, you’ll meet with your district to plan your time at the Capitol Campus and appointments with Legislators
Off to the Capitol

• If you rode a bus to Olympia, you’ll get back on the same bus to head to the Capitol
• If you drove yourself or carpooled to Olympia, you’ll do the same to the Capitol
Arrive at the Capitol
Find Your District Group

• Look for signs with district numbers on them

• The group should be the same people you sat with at the training
Meeting with Legislators

• A fellow parent and/or staff member will lead your group
• You’ll meet with 3 legislators or their aides to help them understand the importance of early learning
Rally on the Capitol Steps!
Legislators, Parent and maybe the Governor speak
Time to Head Home!

• If you rode a bus, you’ll get back on the same one to go back to where it picked you up
• If you drove or carpooled, you’ll go back to your car to drive home.
Details

• Interpreters are available if you indicate the language needed on your registration

• A $50 participation reimbursement is available to all families enrolled in PSESD ECEAP, Head Start and Early Head Start
  ✓ If you ride a bus, you’ll fill out a form on the bus
  ✓ If you drive yourself, there will be a red envelope for you at the RL Hotel with a form to fill out

• You can participate regardless of age, immigration or citizenship status

Don’t forget to
WEAR RED!
For more information visit:

earlylearningwa.org

ADVOCACY DAY IS APPROACHING!

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Visit the Advocacy Day webpage for more details, to request additional brochures, and to register parents and staff!
Questions?

• Ask your Family Support staff member at your center
  or
• Call or email:
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