



Where Can I Find PSESD?

Look us up online at:

www.earlylearningwa.org

Stop by our Main Office at:

800 Oakesdale Avenue SW
Renton, WA 98057

Or give us a call:

King County:

Phone: (425) 917-7700

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Pierce County:

Phone: (253) 778-7700

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For Additional Questions:

For all additional questions or to request interpretation services for a language other than Spanish, please contact:

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Past Parent Educators have shared...

- ❖ “I really liked the Teachback. I want to learn more about presenting and how to do this.” – Blanca
- ❖ “Peer has helped improve my self-confidence, adapt to new situations, and speak in front of groups.” – Amber
- ❖ “I love seeing how the information impacts other parents at the Teachback.” – Sara
- ❖ “I really enjoyed the training because I learned a lot and now, I know a lot of people.” – Jose
- ❖ “This program helped me find my voice.” – Kym
- ❖ “I feel more confident to advocate for my child when necessary.” – Marlene
- ❖ “There were professionals that come to talk to us and answer our questions,” – Bill
- ❖ “I was so excited by what I learned in class, I called my family in India to tell them things they needed to start doing right away for their kids,” – Simarra
- ❖ “Peer Programs allowed me to give back to other parents with ways to help with their children.” – Dur’Shrika



Puget Sound ESD Peer Programs

Bringing school and home closer than ever before.

What is Puget Sound ESD?

Your child’s Early Learning Center is part of Puget Sound Educational Service District (PSESD), which operates Early Head Start, ECEAP, and Head Start Early Learning programs in King and Pierce Counties.

What is Peer Programs?

Peer Programs offers all Early Head Start, Head Start, and ECEAP families the opportunity to learn and grow personally and professionally by becoming a Peer Educator. Peer Educators receive training on their content area, experience teaching adult learners, and gain skills to advocate for themselves and their families. Peer Programs offers these trainings in Health, Literacy, Math, and Money.



The Details

Training Sessions:

Peer Programs training is held for eight consecutive Thursday evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

- ❖ **Health and Literacy** training sessions begin in early January.
- ❖ **Math and Money** training sessions begin in late March.



Where are the trainings held?

Peer Programs trainings are held at the PSESD main office in Renton.

What if I don't speak or read English?

We provide Spanish interpretation and translation for those who may not speak or read English fluently. Be sure to let your Family Support Staff know you would like to have an Interpreter present. Other languages are also available, upon request.

Will there be food?

Dinner will be provided, along with Coffee, tea and water.

Are there any costs of attending Peer Programs?

No. However, PSESD will provide a reimbursement to each family at a set rate to help cover YOUR costs of attending, such as mileage and child care.

Can I bring my kids?

No. The trainings are long and the building isn't designed for children. Your participation reimbursement can help cover the cost of child care. Non-mobile infants are welcome.

How to Participate

Ask the Family Support staff member at your site about enrolling in PSESD Peer Programs.



What Will I Gain from Becoming a Peer Educator?

- Knowledge to empower yourself and your family
- Leadership skills
- New friends
- Public speaking experience
- Build your confidence
- Work-related skills to add to your resume
- A chance to build connections within your community
- Advocacy skills



What is a Teachback?

After content training with Peer Programs is complete, Parent Educators visit early learning sites to share their knowledge with other families at Teachback events. This contributes to a cycle of knowledge that is beneficial community-wide.

