



July 15th, 2024



Trinidad State Colorado GED and ESL classes

We are thrilled to announce that in addition to our in-person classes, we will now also be offering GED and ESL online classes. I've attached flyers for Alamosa, Walsenburg, and Trinidad, as each location's offerings are slightly different. I've also included a calendar so that you know when our sessions start. Enrollment is open the first two weeks of each session.

[Click here to view the calendar](#)

Alamosa



Courses Available

- Adult Basic Education
- GED Preparation (Online and In-Person)
- English as a Second Language (Online)

TSC Valley Campus

1011 Main St.

For more information contact:

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Adult Education Services Director

719-846-5640

nicole.shannon@trinidadstate.edu

<https://trinidadstate.edu/adult-education/index.html>



Walsenburg



Courses Available

- **Adult Basic Education**
- **GED Preparation (Online and In-Person)**
- **English as a Second Language (Online)**

Huerfano County Community Center

928 Russel St.

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Trinidad



Courses Available

- Adult Basic Education
- GED Preparation (Online and In-Person)
- English as a Second Language
- Children Welcome (Twice a week)

Latuda Hall

600 Prospect St.

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San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group 3rd Annual Hope and Recovery Festival

We believe recovery is possible!

Join SLV BHG for the Hope and Recovery Festival on Saturday, August 3rd at Cole Park from 11am-4pm. This free festival is a celebration of recovery from substance use disorder. Join us to promote hope and learn about invaluable resources that can significantly help people who are recovering from substance use disorder. Thank you to Health Colorado for sponsoring this event.

Event includes:

- + Free Narcan kits
- + Rapid HIV & Rapid Hep C testing
- + Local resources fair

This free event is designed to support people in recovery, those hoping to make a change in their lives, and loved ones of people experiencing substance misuse. We invite everyone in the SLV to attend this opportunity to connect with others and discover more about the services and resources available in the community. Do not miss out on this wonderful opportunity! This festival is a place of acceptance, understanding, and love, where everyone in the SLV is encouraged to connect with others, discover resources, and embrace the possibilities of recovery. Whether you are in recovery, hoping to make a change, or are a loved one of someone experiencing substance

misuse, we welcome you with open arms.
Don't miss this opportunity to contribute to the strength of our community. We hope to see you there!

Click below to see the SLV BHG Facebook event details.

[Facebook Event Details](#)

Childcare Resource and Referral (CCRR)

About Colorado Association of Family Child Care Foundation.

The Colorado Association of Family Child Care Foundation has received money from the CIRCLE Grant and the Buell Foundation Grant. The money is designed to mentor and provide training to potential new providers at zero cost to them starting in February. Current licensed providers will also be able to participate in trainings at zero cost. Training classes include: Pre-Licensing, First Aid/CPR, Business class for family child care homes.

For more information, please click on the link.

<https://www.cafccfoundation.org/>

If you need further assistance, please contact Amanda Atencio at ecresource@eccslv.org

Open Your Own Child Care Program



- Do you have a passion for teaching and supporting the healthy development of infants, toddlers, and young children?
- Are you interested in working from the convenience of your home?
- Do you want to start your own business?
- Would you like to teach preschool at YOUR site for the new Universal Preschool (UPK) program

We have a rewarding career opportunity for you!

The Early Childhood Council of the San Luis Valley can share how to become a licensed family child care home provider.

We will cover the steps in the process, cash incentives, grants, UPK and other key points for licensing. Contact us if you are interested using the information below!



**Ready to get started?
Scan the QR code or email Amanda
at ecresource@eccslv.org**



 **Wonderschool**

Early Head Start Free Quality Child Care Services

**NOW ACCEPTING
APPLICATIONS
for Rio Grande County and
Center, CO!**

Now accepting applications for Early Head Start! Click the link below to complete the interest form.

Click [Here](#) for interest form.



Early Head Start
Free Quality Child Care Services!
Birth to 3

Expectant Families and Teen Parents

- Child Care 28+ hours per week
 - Year-Round Program
 - Family Services
 - Education Services
 - Health Services
 - Nutrition Services
 - Disabilities Services
 - Community Resources

Families with children with special needs are encouraged to apply
Military families encouraged to apply
We do not provide daily transportation to & from the center. However, we may be able to provide transportation in certain circumstances in conjunction with other community agencies.

[Begin Application Here](#)

Contact us Today!
(719) 937-4010
401 Santa Fe Ave
Alamosa, CO 81101

Service Areas:
Saguache
Costilla
Alamosa
Rio Grande

Coaching

Registration is Open!

Attention: Calling all Early Childhood Infant and Toddler Care Professionals!

The Early Childhood Council SLV EQIT Team is excited to announce registration for the Fall 2024 Expanding Quality in Infant Toddler Care Course is now open.

You can complete registration by accessing your PDIS account and searching for EQIT SLV.

The Expanding Quality in Infant Toddler Care (EQIT) 48-hour course of training is designed for individuals, specifically, early childhood teachers, center directors, and the specialized family childcare licenses, who currently work with or plan to work with infants and toddlers and are interested in improving knowledge and skills.

See the flyer and course schedule for more details.

Click [here](#) for EQIT Informational Flyer

Click [here](#) or EQIT Fall Schedule

Professional Development

PDIS

Did you know you can find professional development programs & scholarships when you login to your PDIS account? All you have to do is click on the RESOURCES tab at the top of the page, then under the drop-down menu you will click on programs & scholarships. This is available to **ALL PDIS** users. If you need any PD support please reach out to Denise Benavides at pd@eccslv.org.

*ECCSLV SCHOLARSHIP

***We still have funds to support you with your education. Please click on the following link to access an application, or email Denise Benavides at pd@eccslv.org .**

<https://eccslv.org/scholarship-application/>

ECCLA

Join ECCLA for the Director's Toolbox Workshop focused on recruitment and retention strategies in early childhood programs July 16th & 17th! Click on the following link for more information:

<https://mailchi.mp/6b407aa0a414/fcchispring2024-13692492?e=b7512943aa>

What You'll Gain:

- Practical tools and strategies to enhance your leadership skills
- Insights into creating a positive and productive work environment
- Techniques for effective staff recruitment, training, and retention
- Networking opportunities with other professionals in the field

Colorado Shines PDIS Trainings

Upcoming Live Virtual and In-Person Training Events

Following are upcoming virtual and in-person instructor-led training events recognized through the [Colorado Shines Training Alignment Process \(TAP\)](#). Certificates will be available through your Colorado Shines PDIS account after the training events except where noted.

Important registration information, please read:

- Notifications for PDIS registered training sessions will be sent to the email address you have on file in the My Account>Profile Settings area of your PDIS account. Check your email address **before** requesting registration. Contact PDIS Help Desk (cdec_pdishelp@state.co.us or 1.844.447.4441) **before** requesting registration if you need to change your email address.

Make sure your mail settings allow for emails from cdec_pdishelp@state.co.us. You should receive an email from PDIS within 30 minutes or less after requesting

registration. If you do not receive an email, check your email spam/junk folder then change your settings to allow emails from PDIS. You may search the internet to learn how to change your email settings.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xCm6cstUQC3IXqkXYco24ThtEL3_IQwTIPTi5mMPTPc/edit?usp=sharing

[Calming Terrific Toddlers: Evidence-Based Strategies That Reduce Aggression and Promote Self-Regulation](#)

October 24, 2024 | 2 PM Eastern Time

FREE

Despite the best efforts of early childhood educators, some older infants and toddlers naturally hit, bite, and otherwise display aggressive behaviors. These common tiny-tot behaviors challenge caregivers and parents and are among the biggest stressors they encounter. Because it is so complicated to understand what drives toddler behavior and redirect it, it's hard to know what to do to support them in learning self-regulation.

Join toddler expert [Raelene Ostberg, M.Ed.](#) Director of Thriving Together and author of the Taming Those Terrific Toddler Webinar Series, to learn and apply a four-step "HELP" model to transform unwanted behaviors and support toddlers' prosocial development.

[Learn more>>](#)

[Raelene Ostberg, M.Ed.](#)

National Keynote Speaker

Curriculum Specialist

Published Writer

Trainer, Coach and Mentor

Thriving Together, LLC

2024 webinars at a glance!

[Using Everyday Conversations to Nurturing Play and Creativity in Young Children, by Rebecca Rolland, Ed.D.](#)

August 7, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[A Calm Brain is a Thinking Brain: Designing calm, engaging early learning environments, by Dr. Kathryn Murray](#)

August 8, 2024

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[The Power of Leadership: Transform Yourself to Transform Your Team, by Ben Poswalk](#)

August 14, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[Getting and Keeping Insurance for Your Early Childhood Program, by Samantha Phillips](#)

August 15, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

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[Nurturing Transitions: Supporting Children and Families in the new school year, by Amanda Higgins and Sharon Carlson](#)

September 11, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

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[Large Physical Art Activities for Energy Release to Calm Squirming Bodies and Minds, by Anna Reyner, MA, ATR, LMFT](#)

September 18, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

>>>NEW<<

[Entrepreneurial Processes That Optimize Your Program's Operations, Lauren M. Small](#)

September 26, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[Rethinking Relationships and Bias in Early Childhood, by Olga Lacayo and Eliana Elias](#)

October 17, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

>>>NEW<<

[Calming Terrific Toddlers: Evidence-Based Strategies That Reduce Aggression and Promote Self-Regulation, by Raelene Ostberg, M.Ed.](#)

October 24, 2024

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[Beyond the Shelves and Manipulatives: Learning Environments That Nurture Young](#)

[Children, by Berna Artis, MA. Ed.](#)

October 30, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[Building a Financial Framework for Your ECE Program's Future, by Kathy Ligon](#)

November 6, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[The Happiest Preschool: The Transformation and Future of Early Childhood Education, by Martha Heineman Pieper and Kelly Perez](#)

November 7, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

>>>NEW<<<

[Evidence-Based Protocols for Effective Staff Supervision in Early Childhood, by Ashley Varouhas, M.A.](#)

November 14, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

[REGISTER NOW](#)

>>>NEW<<<

[Teaching Critical Thinking About TV, Videos, Online Games, and Apps in Early Childhood, by Faith Rogow, Ph.D.](#)

December 4, 2024

2PM Eastern Time | Recorded

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Devereux Center for Resilient Children

Devereux promotes social and emotional development and fostering resilience. Please click on the following link to learn more about the trainings they offer. They have trainings such as:

Promoting Social-Emotional Development with the Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) Program

<https://centerforresilientchildren.org/>

Center for Resilient Children | Promoting Resilience

The Center for Resilient Children's mission is to promote resilience in children. Learn more about preventing challenging behaviors in children today!

centerforresilientchildren.org

Upcoming Professional Development

For more, visit our [Virtual Trainings Schedule](#) and our [Free Webinars Schedule](#).

August 5, 7, and 9, 2024

1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. ET each day

Promote Social-Emotional Development with the Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) Program

Learn how the Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) Program can support you in promoting the social and emotional development of young children (infants, toddlers, preschoolers), and enhance the overall quality of your early childhood program.

Individual: \$229/person
Group of 2-3: \$209/person
Group of 4 or more: \$189/person

August 20, 2024

1 p.m.-2 p.m. ET

Take Care of You, Take On Challenging Behaviors

In this webinar, you will learn how the four steps of the successful child strategy called FLIP IT (Feelings, Limits, Inquiries, Prompts) can work for YOU! By exploring your own Feelings, Limits, Inquiries, and Prompts, you can build your own resilience and be better prepared to FLIP the script on challenging behavior with children.

FREE

September 3, 10, 17, 24, October 1 and 8, 2024

12 p.m.-2 p.m. ET each day

Transforming Challenging Behavior: FLIP IT Train-the-Trainer Course

Learn how to train and support others on the FLIP IT strategy, a simple four-step process for transforming challenging behavior in young children, ages 3-8.

Early Bird: \$599/person (if registered by 8/4/2024)

Standard: \$659/person

September 4, 11, 18, 25, October 2 and 9, 2024

12 p.m.-2 p.m. ET

Promoting Adult Resilience: Building Your Bounce Train-the-Trainer Course

Learn how to train others on the important topic of adult resilience and its impact on the young children in our lives.

Early Bird: \$599/person (if registered by 8/5/2024)

Standard: \$659/person

COMMUNITY JOB BOARD!

APPLY NOW! **Open Positions:**

- Center Head Start - **Director, Education Manager and Family Services Manager**
- Reach out and Read Colorado - **Regional Coordinator**
- Sargent Early Learning Center - **Lead teacher (Fall of 2024)**

For more information:
**SEE DETAILS BELOW WITH
LINKS FOR EACH JOB VACANCY**

Center Head Start

Director:

The Director works to support the mission and values of the Head Start while providing a high quality educational experience for all of our families and students.

Qualifications include ability to work collaboratively with families and staff, planning and organizing, strong problem solving skills, time management, patience, and strong leadership and interpersonal skills. Any applicant must have, at a minimum, a baccalaureate degree and experience in supervision of staff, fiscal management, and administration. Responsibilities include,

but are not limited to, review and assess curricular needs, collaborate with parents, maintain effective record keeping of laws, policies, regulations, fiscal needs, and child and employee files.

In order to submit an application, please visit our website, email your application to amasterson@centurytel.net or apply in person at our office: 301 E Third Street in Center.

Education Manager:

Center Head Start is searching for an Education Manager. Applicants must have a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education or equivalent, experience working with diverse children and families, knowledge of Early Childhood development and ECE reports. Highly advised that applicants have good communication skills, leadership skills and ability to plan and problem solve. Applications can be picked up the Center Head Start Office or on the website. Questions please call the office at [719-759-9259](tel:719-759-9259).

Family Services Manager:

Center Head Start is looking for a highly motivated Family Services Manager. Applicants must have strong interpersonal and communication skills. Required to have a degree, certificate or credential in social work, human services, family services, or counseling related field at hire or within 18 months of hire. This position works closely with our families to help them reach their goals and create community partnerships. Highly preferable if bilingual (English/Spanish). Applications can be picked up the Center Head Start Office or on the website. Questions please call the office at [719-759-9259](tel:719-759-9259).

Reach Out and Read Colorado

Regional Coordinator:

Reach Out and Read Colorado is in the process of hiring a part-time, remote Regional Coordinator in Southern Colorado. This position is just 5-8 hours per week for someone living in Southern Colorado. Please click on the link below for more details.

Job details: <https://reachoutandreadco.org/hiring/>

Sargent Early Learning Center

Lead Teacher:

Is hiring for a Lead Teacher beginning in the fall of 2024. Lead Teacher salary begins at \$22,000 per year depending on experience and PDIS level.

The lead teacher must hold a minimum of a level 2 in PDIS and must have the ability to be flexible, open to learning, and to take on new tasks/problems as they occur. He/she must also be able to pass the CBI/FBI/TRAILS background checks.

Benefits include paid holidays, sick pay, vacation time, and a simple IRA.

Learn more about the SELC at

<https://sargentearlylearning.wixsite.com/selc/programs>.

To apply, please send a letter of interest and resume to sargentearlylearningcenter@gmail.com.

Position open until filled.

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