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Head Start
Collaboration Office

Head Start Collaboration Office Update

February 2025

Program Site Visits



Currently conducting site visits to each program in the state.



5 visits completed



Reviewing strengths, needs, population served. Areas of support and collaboration.

- Early Childhood Track
- Submit a Proposal by Feb 28th
- Bridging connection with K-12



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2025 TEACHERS INSTITUTE AND LEADING CHANGE

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Setting the Standards from Birth to Career

●●● FEATURED SPEAKERS

JUNE 3RD - 5TH

RENAISSANCE PHOENIX
GLENDALE HOTEL & SPA
9495 W ENTERTAINMENT BLVD,
GLENDALE, AZ 85305

REGISTRATION: \$400

- New price reduction for 2025!
- Cost includes meals each day.

HOTEL ROOMS: \$113

- Special group rate, per night

HOTEL

[Booking Link](#)

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REGISTRATION

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TOM GUSKEY

Creative Director & Co-Founder
Thomas R. Guskey, PhD, is Professor Emeritus in the College of Education at the University of Kentucky. A graduate of the University of Chicago's renowned Measurement, Evaluation, and Statistical Analysis (MESA) program, he began his career in education as a middle school teacher, served as an administrator in the Chicago Public Schools, and was the first Director of the Center for the Improvement of Teaching and Learning, a national educational research center.



ALISON SMITH

Author & Executive Leadership Coach
Alison Smith is an accomplished author and a sought-after executive and leadership coach with a mission to help educators and leaders conquer burnout and build unshakable resilience. A former teacher in inner-city Phoenix, Alison understands the complex challenge of balancing personal well-being with the demands of supporting students—and she's passionate about helping educators and leaders navigate that balance more effectively.

- Cost: \$50
- All Virtual
- Registration Open

2025 Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education Summit

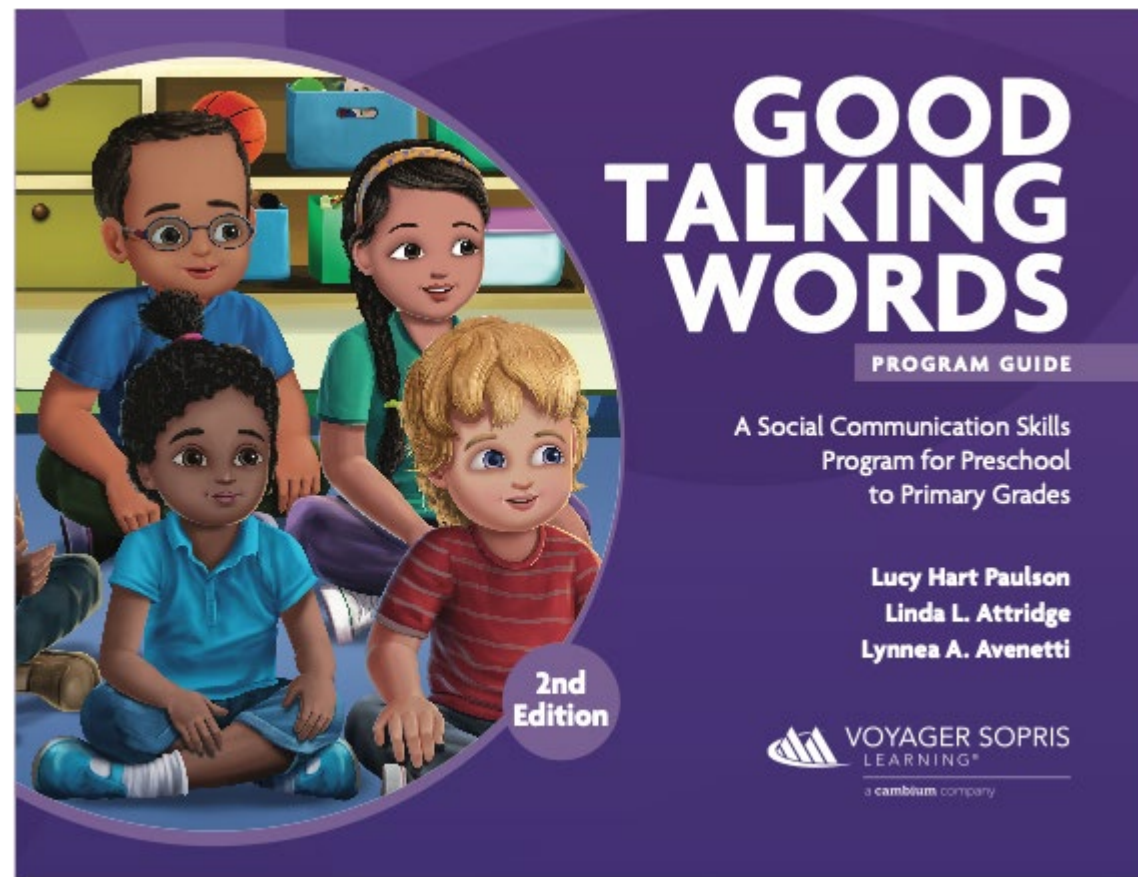


Improving Outcomes: Access, Connections, Belonging

Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education Summit: A three-day virtual conference on March 5th- 7th.

The Summit brings practitioners, administrators, leaders, and families together to share best practices in:

- Early Intervention, to help families transition to preschool
- A review of the outcomes accomplished through Early Intervention and preschool programming
- Instructional strategies for inclusive programs
- Supports to prevent and address challenging behaviors
- Ensuring that all children experience a team of professionals working with families to address the children's needs



Lessons to help preschoolers develop effective social communication skills.

- 3-hour training: In-Person Central Phoenix
- March 20 – 8:30 & 12:30
- March 21st – 8:30 & 12:30

Virtual Training:

April 9th & 16th – 4:00pm

April 23rd & 25th – 8:30am





ECE Professional Learning

- **Early Childhood Literacy: Phonological Awareness:** Mon., Feb 24th 12:30pm – 2:30pm
Continental School District Preschool Building B
- **AZELS: Language & Literacy:** Wed., March 5th 9:00am – 2:00pm – Live Virtual
- **Child Assessment/Data Collection:** Thurs., April 3rd 12:30pm – 2:30pm – In Person



Thank you!

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