

# Representing Ontario ECEs since 1950.



### The AECEO is here for you!

The AECEO is the professional association for early childhood educators in Ontario. Throughout our history, the AECEO has been directly involved in important developments in early childhood education and care in our province, playing a key role in the areas of training, awareness, certification, networking, recognition for the ECE profession in Ontario.

#### What we do:

- Professional learning & networking for early years professionals
- Government relations & policy work
- Leadership & community building
- Public education & advocacy campaigns
- and more!



## There is no early learning & child care without a strong ECE workforce!



The AECEO works towards the systemic change needed to achieve professional wages and better working conditions for all early childhood educators, child care workers and early years professionals in Ontario. The introduction of the Canada-Wide Early Learning & Child Care system has made the work of the AECEO more important than ever before. Supporting the AECEO contributes to making \$10-a-day child care a reality in Ontario. Together, we can build a system that meets the needs of children, families, educators, and communities.

At this crucial time of change, your involvement makes a difference!







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## **Professional Learning & Networking**



- The **AECEO** provides accessible ECE-led Professional Learning (PL) sessions that focus childhood specifically on early educators' perspectives and interests.
- AECEO PL events are filled with opportunities for networking, allowing professionals from across the Ontario early years sector to connect, learn, and grow together.
- AECEO members can access the entire AECEO Professional Learning Library at any time, including recordings and resources from the 2023 AECEO Provincial Conference.

#### Government Relations, Policy Work & Advocacy

- Maintain government and stakeholder relations to advance voices from the sector and policy solutions that address current issues.
- Respond to budget and legislation consultations and provide media commentary on developing stories.
- Research, analyze and publish reports on policy developments affecting the Ontario early learning & child care sector.
- Build capacity within the ECE community so they can collectively become more knowledgeable about the policies and systems that affect their daily work and practice.



#### **Leadership & Community Building**



- Create spaces for advocacy, mentorship, and leadership opportunities through the AECEO CARE Collectives.
- Strengthen and unify the early years workforce by hosting events and activities that promote ECE joy and relationship building.
- Build and maintain relationships with organizations, institutions and other community partners that benefit and support educators' professional and personal development.









