

# Shoreline Early Learning

## Vision

Our vision is to eliminate the opportunity gap by optimizing the foundational early learning years in an inclusive, equitable community where every child belongs and is supported in developing friendships and becoming a lifelong learner.

## Mission

Our mission is to provide high quality early learning experiences to all Shoreline and Lake Forest Park preschool aged children. Our mission prioritizes:

- Underserved populations
  - Inclusive learning
- Culturally responsive teaching
- Working together with all families

### Equity and Inclusion

- Tuition Assistance
- Meeting National/State Standards and Licensing
- Universal Design for Learning
- Blended/Inclusive Environments
- Advocacy for Sustained Funding
- Growing ECEAP and Head Start Capacity
- Trauma Informed Practices
- Braided Funding/Shared Resources
- Diverse Hiring Practices

### Teaching and Learning

- Professional Development (high quality, time, aligned across programs, coaching)
- Collaboration and Planning (across and between programs)
- Evidence-Based Curriculum and Assessment
- Emphasis on Social-Emotional Development
- Strengths-Based Approach

### Family Engagement and Outreach

- Single, Streamlined Application
- Natural Leaders
- Family Education and Engagement
- Responsive to Linguistic and Cultural Diversity
- Family Advocates
- Collaborate with Community Providers

The Early Learning Committee recommends an ongoing work group led by the Director of Early Learning to define the action plan moving forward. This representative work group will be comprised of members of the committee, parents, community, and early learning staff.