



Texas Association for the Education of Young Children



TXAEYC Secretary: Dr. Lauren Gonzalez

Dr. Lauren Gonzalez completed her Doctorate of Education in Early Childhood at the University of North Texas and is currently an Assistant Professor at Stephen F. Austin State University. Lauren brings a wealth of experience from over 15 years of work in the field of early childhood as a childcare provider, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten teacher, 3rd grade teacher, special education teacher, and professor. She has been working at Stephen F. Austin State University for the last 4 years teaching undergraduate and graduate Early Childhood courses. Lauren has presented at early childhood conferences locally, regionally, statewide, and nationally. Recently she served on the Pearson National Evaluation Series Committee to review the NES Early Childhood Education (Age 3 to Age 8) Teacher Certification Assessment. Lauren has also had numerous publications at the state, national, and international level.

Lauren has been a long time member of NAEYC. She also serves as a member of the National Science Teachers of America Association, American Educational Research Association, Teachers of Speakers of Other Languages, Phi Delta Kappa, and the Texas State Teachers Association. She holds Texas teaching certifications in General Education EC-4, Special Education, Gifted & Talented, and English as a Second Language. Lauren stated, "It would be my great honor to serve as secretary for an organization which has been very significant in my professional life. If elected, I will strive to provide excellent representation for educators across our great state!"