



Texas Association for the  
Education of Young Children

## May 2019 News

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### Save the Date for TXAEYC's 2019 Annual Conference

Mark your calendars for TXAEYC's  
2019 Annual Conference on  
September 26-28!

Plans are already underway in preparation of our 2019 Annual Conference. Registration for attendees and vendors will open next month in June! In the meantime, you can sign up to receive Conference updates and view pricing information for attendee registration on our website. We can't wait to see you in Frisco!

### #TXECEWINS Advocacy Update

Thank you to all TXAEYC members who have contacted their State Representatives and Senators, visited the Capitol in Austin, and helped spread the word about early childhood issues during the 86th Legislative Session. The Texas House and Senate will be in session through May 27. Look for continued updates from our office regarding our legislative priorities, bills to watch, and ways that you can help make sure #TXECEWINS



[Learn more about TXAEYC Advocacy](#)

### Introducing Your New TXAEYC Board Officers

We are pleased to announce the following results from our 2019 TXAEYC Board of Directors Election:

- **Michael Gonzales, TXAEYC President-Elect**
- **Jodi Nerren, TXAEYC Vice President of Membership**

- Debbie Rose- TXAEYC Secretary

Congratulations to our new officers and thank you to all members who voted!



TXAEYC President-Elect Michael Gonzales at 2018 TXAEYC Annual Conference

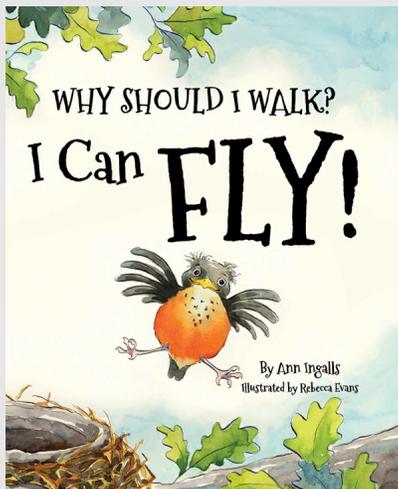
## NAEYC Spring Sale on Online Learning Modules

NAEYC's online professional development introduces early childhood educators to core ideas from NAEYC's position statements, books, journals and more. Designed with busy educators in mind, our online resources provide self-paced, interactive learning that connects professional knowledge to daily practice through practical strategies that bolster best instructional approaches. Through May 13, one-hour learning modules are available for 20% off using the discount code SPRINGPD19. Available topics include developmentally appropriate practice, STEM in the classroom, and guided play!



Find out more about online learning from NAEYC

Not a NAEYC member? [Join today](#) for access to member benefits including online resources and community, registration discounts, and more!



## SECA Recommends: What's Up in Children's Books?

Each month, SECA sends book reviews of a new early childhood title to add to your classroom library to all members. One recent title was *Why Should I Walk? I Can FLY!* by Ann Ingalls. From the review: "This enchanting new book is not only fun to read but reminds us that we can accomplish our goals if we keep trying."

[TXAEYC members are invited to learn more about SECA and join today!](#)

## Share Your Story: Complete the Children at Risk Survey

Children at Risk is collecting information

to understand how important the Child Care Subsidy program is to families and providers across Texas. By sharing your story, you can help improve the program and help others also access financial support for child care. There are surveys available in English and Spanish for providers and for families. Please consider sharing your story and inviting others to do the same. Responses from families are particularly requested. Responses may be submitted until May 31.



Complete the Survey for **Families:**  
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Complete the Survey for **Providers:**  
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)



### CDA Training Partnership Program

TXAEYC is excited to announce the **CDA Training Partnership Program** with **Frogstreet** and **CCEI**! The Texas CDA Partnership offers a pathway to earn the training required for the Child Development Associate (CDA) certificate.

#### Texas CDA Partnership Provides:

- 120 hours of online coursework
- CDA Gold Standard quality content and training
- Continuous instructor and counselor support
- Portfolio completion embedded in coursework
- Mentoring visits to each student region
- Streamlined application and certification process

[Information and Application HERE](#)

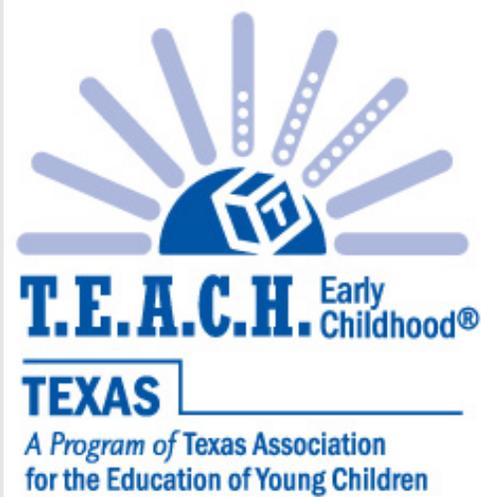
### Learn More About the Individualized Instruction Project

TXAEYC is partnering with **Teaching Strategies** to offer a valid and reliable, developmentally appropriate assessment system, **GOLD.®**

Benefits include free access to:

- observation-based system for assessing young children's knowledge, skills, and behaviors;
- bilingual tools for documenting and measuring children's development and learning;
- bilingual learning experiences that help teachers use assessment information to individualize care and instruction for each child;
- professional development for staff;
- ongoing support provided by trained TXAEYC staff and Teaching Strategies;
- and bilingual tools to help communicate with families.

[More Information and Application](#)



## Now Accepting Applications

Ready to continue your education?  
Apply Now for Summer 2019 term!

The **T.E.A.C.H. (Teacher Education and Compensation Helps) Early Childhood® Program** provides comprehensive scholarships to enable early childhood teachers to take coursework leading to credentials and degrees at local community colleges and universities within each state.

**T.E.A.C.H. SCHOLARSHIPS** are available statewide for:

- Child Development Associate Credential (CDA)
- Associate Degree
- Bachelor Degree
- Alternative Certification

Since 2011 the T.E.A.C.H. Texas program has been able to award over 1200 scholarships and recipients have earned more than 700 CDA Credentials and 33 college graduates.

[Click HERE for more information or to start your application today.](#)



## Become a Child Care Health Consultant

Houston area: Our next **Child Care Health Consultant** Training will be coming your way this summer!  
Wednesday, July 17- Friday, July 19  
*More information to follow*

What does a Child Care Health Consultant do?

- Reviews and creates health and safety policies and procedures
- Provides training on health, safety, nutrition, mental health and medication administration
- Identifies community resources
- Helps families find a medical home
- Assists with inclusion of children with special needs
- Reviews child and staff files for current immunizations
- Conducts safety assessments of playgrounds and indoor space
- Provides training and support for developmental screeners.

[Learn more or complete the application HERE](#)



**Mark your calendar with these upcoming dates from our local chapters and programs**

- May 7-** Central Texas Chapter Training
- May 9-** Central Texas Chapter Training
- May 13-** Paso del Norte Chapter Board Meeting
- May 14-** Brazos Valley Chapter Eat and Greet
- May 15-** Austin Chapter Training
- May 16-** Brazos Valley Chapter's Directors' Exchange
- May 18-** Gulf Coast Chapter Healthy Beginnings Conference
- May 18-** Paso del Norte Chapter Picnic at the Park
- May 25-** Dallas Chapter Out of the Box Training
- May 31-** TXAEYC Annual Conference Proposals Notification Cutoff
- June 1-** Registration Opens for TXAEYC Annual

[View our calendar online for more training, networking, and deadlines](#)

Conference (Attendees and Vendors)

**June 1-** Paso del Norte Chapter Toddlers on the Go Conference

**June 2-5-** NAEYC's Professional Learning Institute (PLI)

**June 7-** Brazos Valley Chapter at First Friday in Downtown Bryan

## Other Ways to Get Connected with TXAEYC



### TXAEYC is Growing! Staff Position Currently Available

The **RECESS Grant Manager** will oversee the implementation of the Regional Early Childhood Education Support Specialist (RECESS) grant at TXAEYC. This person will serve as the point person for the project and coordinate with Independent School Districts (ISDs) and early learning programs to support the development of public-private partnerships for Pre-Kindergarten eligible children.

*This position and/or hours are contingent on continued grant funding.*

[View the full job description Apply today](#)



### Find TXAEYC on Social Media

TXAEYC shares early childhood education articles, information on upcoming events, and updates on programs and advocacy on our social media channels. Like us on Facebook, follow on Twitter, and don't forget to connect with TXAEYC on our newest social media page- we are now on Instagram!



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