

Infant/Toddler Academy: Promoting Early Literacy: Talk, Read & Play

Did you know that infants and toddlers' early literacy skills begin at birth? Supportive relationships and nurturing interactions are critical in promoting every child's optimal development.

Join us for a minds-on and hands-on, interactive, creative and fun workshop! Together, we will explore research, theories and relevant standards. We will address the many benefits of intentional talking, daily reading, and developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate play. We will examine and critique best strategies for partnering with families and supporting them as their children's first early literacy teachers.

Come talk, read and play! Bring your favorite stories and infant/toddler books!

Date: Saturday, February 22, 2020

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: Post University
800 Country Club Road
Waterbury, CT 06708

Presenter: **Elsa Jones**, Post University Chair of Early Childhood Education

Fee: \$25 - Students (please attach a copy of student ID)
\$30 - NAEYC standard & premium members
\$40 - NAEYC entry level & non-members

Deadline: Thursday, February 20, 2020

To Register, visit: <https://www.ctaeyc.org/saturday-academy>



Participants will be able to:

1. Articulate and implement research-based strategies for promoting children's early literacy development.
2. Strengthen support to parents and families, and provide resources for developmentally appropriate, early literacy in the home.
3. Become familiar with and intentionally apply NAEYC early learning program standards and the CT ELDS to planned learning experiences.