

# Natural Learning Workshops

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## Workshops Available:

### Creating a Literacy-Rich Learning Environment



In this workshop, we address early literacy skill development for pre- and early readers. There is so much stress now on teaching children to read early, yet developmentally we know that they just aren't ready until quite a bit later! We look closely at the research surrounding this issue, and I will then walk you through very specific methods of incorporating literacy methods and practices into everyday play and learning environments and experiences, both at home and in the classroom.

You will leave this workshop with a renewed understanding and appreciation for how to make early literacy something that is fun and creates a lifelong love of reading and writing!

### Developing Intentional Parent-Child Connections

This workshop looks at the importance of a connected, meaningful relationship between parents and their children. When children feel loved, safe, and confident in their relationships, they are better able to shine creatively and academically.

Offering practical tips and advice for a variety of familial situations - working parents, stay-at-home families, mixed/co-parenting/co-generational families, teachers, etc. - this workshop has something for everyone. You will leave with practical and action-focused tips that you can take to rebuild, reconnect, and continue meaningful parent-child connections.



#### TRAINING DETAILS:

**Date:** Saturday, February 3, 2018

**Time:** 12:30pm-2pm - Literacy Workshop | 2pm-3:30pm - Connections Workshop

**Location:** Pike View Early Childhood Center  
441 McCain Blvd North Little Rock, AR 72116

**How to Register:**

Complete the attached registration form and return it by email to [edringtonj@nlrsd.org](mailto:edringtonj@nlrsd.org) or fax to 501-771-8170

**Bring:** a notebook/pen, questions, and an open mind