



Preschool Language and Literacy Class

The National Head Start Family Literacy Center at Sonoma State University through a cooperative agreement with the Office of Head Start has developed a 16 week online college course in *Preschool Language and Literacy*.

Preschool language and Literacy is designed to teach students major content areas of early literacy development, instructional strategies, and appropriate early experiences that support early literacy development in preschool children. Emphasis is placed on speaking and listening, as well as reading and writing. Upon completion of the course students will be able to select, plan, implement and evaluate appropriate early literacy experiences.

Preschool Language and Literacy Course is composed of seven modules. Each module includes the following elements: Research Overview and Main Concepts, Developmental Continuum, Required Reading (many downloadable), Activities and Assignments, and Discussion Instructions, as well as lecturettes and PowerPoint presentations.

Core modules include:

- Children's Communication and Language Development
- Books and Print Awareness
- Children's Writing
- Learning the Code: Phonological Awareness and Alphabet Knowledge

The intent of the Office of Head Start is to support Head Start staff and families in their efforts to earn degrees. These course materials and resources are intended for use by institutes of higher education and training and technical assistance providers that serve Head Start staff and families.

[Click here](#) to read more on the *Preschool Language and Literacy* Course or visit the Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center at www.eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov.



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Head Start Publication Center

There are over one hundred seventy five resources available for download on the Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center or you may order them from the Head Start Publication Center. Topics range from art, health and safety, fatherhood materials, mental health, curriculum tip sheets and videos. The variety of materials will provide you with training ideas and resources for mentoring and professional development. To view available resources [click here](#).

Our Pledge: The KY T/TA State Office pledges to provide timely, current, and interesting monthly newsletters for the Head Start and Early Head Start communities and others interested in the field. In keeping with our mission to be more "green," we will provide our easy to read newsletter via email. We would like to hear from you and encourage your suggestions for newsletter content. Contact the editor: **Joyce Roach**

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