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Teaching Strategies for Language Learning

Beginning the new school year with learners from many cultures can present many challenges for teachers. To accommodate children and families from diverse populations, including recent immigrants and refugees from around the world [ECLKC](#) offers specific strategies for language learning, building curriculum and creating a classroom community for English Language Learners.

Being an Effective Mentor Coach – Quote by JoAn Knight Herren

A [Mentor-Coach](#) is a journey guide – someone who walks beside another on her journey. Mentor-Coaches support professional development and works to build excellence in the daily practice of teaching staff. Teachers' benefits from the support they receive from a more experienced professional who helps them reach their goals and share their challenges.

Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center Math Series



ECLKC offers a series of 6 math webcasts and lessons for teaching math in the Head Start classroom. The webcast teaches creative and effective strategies that help children learn math. Series includes:

- [Where's the Math](#)
- [Number and Operations](#)
- [Geometry and Spatial Sense](#)
- [Measurement](#)
- [Patterns](#)
- [Putting It All Together](#)

NOW AVAILABLE!!

[A GPS to Your Child's Success:](#)

[A Field Guide to The Kentucky Early Childhood Standards](#)

We are proud to announce that *A GPS to Your Child's Success: a Field Guide to the Kentucky Early Childhood Standards* is now available for download. This is a Companion for the Kentucky Early Childhood Standards and has been created with all early childhood professionals in mind. A limited number of printed copies will be available late fall/early winter. To obtain a copy from The KY Department of Education, please contact Laura.Wathen@education.ky.gov or download your copy now by visiting this [link](#).

Senator Edward Kennedy

An Advocate for Head Start and Early Childhood

As a leader in the Senate for eight terms, Kennedy leaves behind a rich legacy for early education leaders to follow. Kennedy supported legislation that led to improved health and education of young children. NIEER Co-Director, Steve Barnett said, "were it not for Kennedy's unwavering commitment to improving the lot of young children, we likely would have far less federal support for young children's development across the board." **Which leaves us with the question, where do we go now?** In April Kennedy talked with NIEER on his role in early care and education. To view Senator Kennedy's newsmaker interview with NIEER'S, *Preschool Matters*, [click here.](#)

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