

How You Can Help

Encourage those with young children to engage with their child's school, and **financially invest in early learning:**

Sponsor a **Professional Development Workshop (\$500-\$1000 per session).**

Sponsor a **Parenting Program (\$250 per session).**

Provide books for our partner doctors to distribute to 5 children as part of **Reach Out and Read (\$100)**

Provide financial support to the ongoing maintenance of the Early Learning Website (**\$100 per month**).

Purchase a backpack full of resource materials for families of children Birth – 5, supporting our **Backpack Program (\$50 each)**

Use where most needed (\$_____)

Want to Know More?

Contact Karen Weakley, PFEL President 509-430-6358 or Shane Markel, Business Outreach Coordinator, 509-531-4417

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What's Next?

With your support Partners For Early Learning will be able to:

- Continue our monthly professional development sessions for **even more educators in the Tri-Cities and beyond.**
- Complete our **Backpack Program**, providing low-income young children (Birth-5 years) with backpacks filled with educational supplies for school.
- Begin **Reach Out and Read**, a collaboration with physicians to provide books and literacy information to young children and their families during their doctors' visits.
- Initiate programs that help parents learn new skills to foster their child's learning at home.

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Partners for Early Learning
Investing in Every Child

Who We Are

We are a group of professionals from the early learning, public health and business sectors committed to ensuring that all children come to school with the skills and resources needed to succeed. We aim to educate and work with caregivers, teachers, and parents year-round to ensure that **all children** in our community are ready for school. **Our Projects** aim to engage with parents and caregivers, both online and in person, to ensure that regardless of income they can access high-quality early learning resources for children birth to 5.

Why We're Here

More than 4 in 10 children in the Richland School District do not enter kindergarten ready to learn. They lack the early literacy and social skills to be successful in a rigorous kindergarten program.



Our Website:
partnersforearlylearning.org



"These Workshops awaken ideas and excitement in the teachers and provides the materials to implement them. Thanks so much!" -
Educator at our Professional Development Workshop

Our Projects

WORKING WITH EDUCATORS

We hold **FREE** monthly professional development workshops for 40-60 early childhood educators in our area, enabling participants to learn new skills and activities to take back to their centers, providing materials to implement these new activities, and creating the opportunity for collaboration with other educators. These valuable sessions are sponsored by our generous community partners!

WORKING WITH PARENTS

Our website, Partnersforearlylearning.org, helps parents and community partners access resources for young children in all areas of their development.

Strong Foundations for School is a series of practical developmental activities for parents to help their children prepare for school and are available on our website. **We have just added new materials for toddlers in both English and Spanish!** This project has been generously funded by the WA State Department of Early Learning.