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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST



The Professional Development Specialist will design and implement a statewide professional development program in early language, literacy, and brain development for childcare providers, teachers, and caregivers of children from birth to third grade in Georgia. Responsibilities include creating evidence-based training materials, leading workshops, and delivering professional learning opportunities on developmentally appropriate practices. The role also involves coordinating community outreach and literacy initiatives, managing specialized events, and supporting instructional leadership. The Specialist will ensure content effectiveness, maintain resources, and adopt best practices in adult learning to enhance early childhood education statewide.

The Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy was founded in 2017 as a statewide center for the promotion of research and evidence based practices for early language and literacy. We serve Georgia families, communities, and educators in childcare centers, pre-schools, and K-3 classrooms by conducting research and evaluation, community outreach, and professional development to improve early language and literacy outcomes.



Required Qualifications

- Master's degree in early childhood education, Child Development, or a closely related field or 10 + years' of related experience and position.
- 3–5 years of experience in early childhood education with children birth through age 8, along with expertise in supporting adult learning, coaching, and facilitation.

Preferred Qualifications

- Ed.S. or Doctorate in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, or a closely related field.
- Expertise in teaching and coaching adult learners, curriculum and instructional design, e-learning
 pedagogy, and early literacy content, particularly the construction of the reading brain, with experience
 leading teams in literacy programs and interventions.

GREAT BENEFITS INCLUDING:

- Retirement planning
- Paid Holidays
- Annual /Sick Leave

- Health Insurance
- Dental and Vision Insurance
- Life Insurance





We envision a Georgia where EVERYONE has the tools to support children on the path to literacy.

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