

Professional learning for before- and after-school programs

Every day, your educators show up for children who are hard to reach.

This session gives them a way in.

“What Is This Child Telling Me?”

Session 1 of the Fresh Focus Series for before- and after-school programs • 2 hours

Every behavior is a message. The child who pushes back during academic time, shuts down at arrival, melts down at transitions — they're not trying to make the day harder. They're communicating something they don't yet have the words for. When an educator learns to read that message instead of react to it, everything shifts.

This two-hour workshop introduces the Fresh Focus Protocol: a four-move practice for pausing, observing, asking a curiosity question, and responding with perspective. Simple enough to use in the middle of a hard moment. Powerful enough to change a child's experience in your program.

When educators learn to connect with hard-to-reach children

- Behavior management improves, without more rules
- Family engagement grows when families see that their child is understood and valued
- Children develop a stronger sense of belonging in the program
- Engagement increases, participation expands, and persistence grows

Customizable for educators, youth workers, and parents: This session meets program requirements for positive youth development and parent/family engagement.

Book this for your next PD session.

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