

2007 Early Childhood Education Conference Planning Committee Goals

1. Determine available funding and recruit and hire a coordinator.
2. Create working definition of quality to guide the conference planning.
3. Produce a conference in spring on theme of “what is quality care?” Collaborate with other agencies such as the CA Mentor Program, PACE, CCAEYC, CDRC, First 5, CPIN, New Teacher Project, CA Kindergarten Project (?) and others to develop trainings for the conference. Potential connection with First 5 literacy program. Conference to include a teacher track and a director track. Assess the feedback from past workshops in determining topics/trainers for this year.
4. Throughout the year, focus on topic of bridging preschool and kindergarten:
 - a. Ask CCPC members about existing connections between their programs and kindergarten.
 - b. Prior to conference, plan and facilitate guided tours of preschools and kindergarten classrooms.
5. Hold a training for presenters (train the trainer model).