



April 23-25, 2026
Sandusky, OH

Guidance/Discipline/ Challenging Behaviors Sessions

The Ohio Early Childhood Conference | April 23-25, 2026 | Kalahari Resort | Sandusky, OH

Thursday, April 23, 2026

8:30 am – 10:00 am

Coaching Through Challenging Behaviors: How Interactive Talk Supports Social-Emotional Development

Marlo Parlin, 4C for Children & Luis Bernal, LENA

8:30 am – 10:00 am

Universal Practices to Support Social Emotional Needs in the Classroom

Emily Humphrey & Allyson Heiney, Akron Public Schools Early Learning Program

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Under Construction: Finding Joy on Your Journey Through Conscious Discipline®

Latoria Marcellus, Preschool Promise, Inc.

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Strategies for Preventing Power Struggles

Ava Lucky, Positive Education Program

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Creating the School Family: Using the T.E.A.C.H. Method in Your Classroom (Conscious Discipline®)

Tonya Byous, Clever Bee Academy

Friday, April 24, 2026

8:30 am – 10:00 am

Legacy Work: Using Conscious Discipline to Build a Legacy That Inspires and Builds Others Up (Conscious Discipline®)

Latoria Marcellus, Preschool Promise, Inc.

8:30 am -10:00 am

FLIP IT® Overview

Carrie Shockey & Holley Turner, Early Childhood Resource Center

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Are the Children Well: Moving Our Children from Surviving to Thriving (Conscious Discipline®)

Latoria Marcellus, Preschool Promise, Inc.

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Challenging Behaviors in the Classroom (Biting, Running, Throwing, Hitting, Oh My!)

Dr. Beth Trammell, Indiana University East

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Mischief Managed! - A Conversation About Addressing Post-Pandemic Behavior!

Mandy Young, Mandy Young Consulting

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

M.A.P. It Out! - The Power of Attention & Skill of Assertiveness (Conscious Discipline®)

Rozlyn Grant, The Centers for Families and Children

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

So, Is This Problem Solving?

Lance Reed, High Scope Educational Research Foundation

BONUS

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Taming the Tiger — Understanding and Nurturing Big Emotions

Dani Svantner & Wendy Turcott, The Play Coaches

Saturday, April 25, 2026

8:30 am – 10:00 am

You Were Chosen for This MISSION: Rise to the Challenge with Perseverance and Grit (Conscious Discipline®)

Tanyelle Hannah, Hannah's Heart

8:30 am – 10:00 am

Big Feelings, Little Teeth: Exploring Safe Ways to Express

Patrick McKelvey, Nationwide Children's Hospital

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

JOY in the Journey: How to Keep My Heart in it When it's HARD (Conscious Discipline®)

Tanyelle Hannah, Hannah's Heart

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Lights On, Joy Up: Reframing Challenging Behaviors and Reigniting Your Purpose

Dr. Nefertiti Poyner, Mighty Works Education Group LLC

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Preventing, Approaching, & Responding to Typical and Challenging Behavior (Part 1)

Erin Finley, Hopewell Health Centers

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Preventing, Approaching, & Responding to Typical and Challenging Behavior (Part 2)

Erin Finley, Hopewell Health Centers