


# Sessions Approved for DODD Credit



April 23-25, 2026  
Sandusky, OH



Department of  
Developmental  
Disabilities

  
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**Saturday, April 25, 2026**

**8:30 AM - 9:30 AM**

**Belonging in the Circle: Creating an Engaging and Inclusive Circle Time**

Heather Knoble

**8:30 AM - 10:00 AM**

**Big Feelings, Little Teeth: Exploring Safe Ways to Express**

Patrick McKelvey

**10:45 AM - 11:45 AM** **KEYNOTE**

**Let Joy Be Your Compass: Reclaiming Our Direction, Purpose, and Well-Being**

Dr. Nefertiti Poyner

**1:00 PM - 2:30 PM**

**Speech and Language Development**

Kimberly Ohl

**1:00 PM - 2:30 PM**

**How to Talk to Infants & Toddlers While They Play: Language that Fosters Connection, Confidence and Creativity**

Cara Tyrrell

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**1:00 PM - 2:30 PM** FEATURED

**Wonderful Play! Using Music to Support Early Childhood Development (Part 1)**

Mr. Jeff Klemm

**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**From Classrooms to Communities: Advancing Equity and Advocacy in Early Childhood**

Crystal Ann Hall

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM**

**The DEC Recommended Practices: How to Support Students with Special Needs in Your Classroom**

Elizabeth Diedrick

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM**

**Exploring Narratives in the 0-3 Space**

Hayley Venturino & Jennifer Buckler

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**Say, Sing & Sign! How ASL Combined with Music Benefits Infants and Toddlers**

Ken & Georgia Frawley

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