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### **WATCH US BLOOM: 2024 Spring Conference**

Get ready to be inspired to learn at our in-person Spring Conference on Saturday, April 6 at Cayuga Community College!

Join our community of driven providers building networks and learning. The conference will feature trainings covering a range for OCFS topics and raffles with fabulous prizes!

Keep an eye out for the next Navigator and on our social media channels for more details, including session schedules, instructors, and how to register.

Mark your calendars and gather your curiosity. Let's make this spring unforgettable! Just Watch Us Bloom!



## NYS Learning and Enrichment After-School Program Supports (LEAPS)

An RFP for competitive funding for the NYS Learning and Enrichment After-school Program Supports (LEAPS) has been posted.

If you're part of a not-for-profit organization or a community-based organization (CBO) with not-for-profit status, this is your chance. Programs can receive between \$160,000-\$750,000 depending on the program capacity. Check out the RFP and appendix documents for all the details on eligibility and proposal submission, by clicking the link below.

[Click Here](#)

## Child and Adult Care Food Program

Have you ever considered participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)? You're probably thinking... it's not worth it. Food for thought, you never lose money when on CACFP!!

CACFP is a federally funded program designed to improve the nutritional quality of meals served to children in childcare centers and childcare homes.

On CACFP you must keep daily records including your child attendance, your menus and your meal counts. The amount of reimbursement you receive is based on the location of your home, your income or the income of the parents you serve. Your own children may be eligible to participate if you meet the income guideline. All information is kept confidential.

To participate in CACFP or to receive more information please contact Ashley Lenhart CMP, CCNP at 315-446-1220 Ext: 353. Or email [AshleyL@childcaresolutionscny.org](mailto:AshleyL@childcaresolutionscny.org).





### CORE Business Series - Facilities and Liabilities

This training is designed to help providers understand the liabilities involved in child care businesses, including the three risks of operating a child care business, identify strategies for minimizing risks and staying in compliance with regulations, and creating a Risk Management plan.

[Register](#)

### What Does Engaged Teaching Look Like?

This training will explore how to interact with children to support curiosity, scaffold learning, and deepen children's knowledge and awareness. We will look at how using the CORE Body of Knowledge (CBK) can assist educators with creating environments and curriculum that engage and sustain learning and reflect the importance of child / educator interactions and relationships.

[Register](#)

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