

The logo of the Arizona Department of Education is a circular seal. It features a central five-pointed star with a white outline. Above the star is a stylized flame or torch. The background of the seal consists of vertical stripes in shades of brown, tan, and grey. The words "ARIZONA DEPARTMENT" are written in a light blue, sans-serif font along the top inner edge of the seal, and "OF EDUCATION" is written along the bottom inner edge.

Arizona Department of Education

Early Childhood Education

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Services provided to all early childhood programs

- Technical assistance, as needed
- Arizona Head Start Collaboration Office
- Pyramid Model
- Professional Learning Opportunities
 - Professional Learning Survey- A space to share your program's needs and interest
 - Professional Development Request Form -Tailored professional development
 - Arizona Early Learning Standards
 - Infant and Toddler Development Guidelines
 - Inclusion and other age-appropriate practices



Continued Menu of Services

- Early Literacy Professional Learning
 - Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS)
- Early Childhood Quality Improvement Practices (ECQUIP), as needed
- ADE license for My Teaching Strategies(TSG)
- Kindergarten Entry Assessment (KEA)
- Preschool Development Grant Birth through age 5 (PDG B5)
- Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grant(CLSD)/Supplemental
- Newsletter
 - All-inclusive communications



Bridging the Gap

- Seeking all tribal early childhood providers
- Opportunity for tailored services and extend menu of services previously shared
- Create a foundation for continued partnership and growth



➤ Where are we located?

- Phoenix
- Tucson
- Northern
- Serve all Counties/Statewide

➤ How to contact us?

- Direct phone call or by email
- The ECE main phone number (602) 364-1530 ECEInbox@azed.gov

➤ Where to find our resources?

- [Early Childhood Education website](#)





Questions?



Thank you

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