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Nurturing Literacy through Engaging Play in Early Childhood	This session will dive into the intricacies of early literacy development and its impact on shaping students' academic success. Participants will explore play-based learning and enhancing children's vocabulary in promoting language development through interactive play-based activities. Participants will also explore key components of literacy and language development while developing a deeper understanding of the science behind teaching these important skills in early childhood classrooms.
Tapping into the 'T' in STEAM: Integrating Technology into Early Childhood Environments	Early childhood STEAM learning is an important part of a young learner's development as they progress in their education. In this session, we will explore how the appropriate use of technology and data-driven instruction can help develop our young learners' skills in problem solving, critical thinking and collaboration. Join us as we dive into the STEAM world of data-driven instruction and tech-enabled learning for early childhood education!
Executive Functioning in Early Learning: Navigating Impulses, Responses, and More!	Explore the crucial role of executive functioning in early childhood development in this dynamic session tailored for educators. Delve into effective strategies for supporting young learners in managing impulses, regulating emotions, and enhancing cognitive flexibility. Gain practical tools and techniques to integrate executive function skills into daily routines and activities, fostering independence and resilience. Leave equipped with a deeper understanding of executive functioning and actionable insights to empower your students' success in both academic and social-emotional domains.
Effective Data Informed Instruction Strategies from Multimodal Educational Tools	In today's early childhood education landscape, the integration of multimodal educational tools is increasingly prevalent. These tools encompass a variety of mediums, including digital apps, interactive games, videos, and more. However, to harness the full potential of these tools, educators must effectively integrate the data they generate into their teaching practices. This session will explore strategies for seamlessly integrating data from multimodal educational tools to enhance early childhood learning outcomes.
The Science of Reading: Unlocking the Foundations of Literacy	Uncover the practical roadmap to literacy success in The Science of Reading: Unlocking the Foundations of Literacy. This focused exploration delves into identifying and addressing fundamental skills pivotal for effective reading. Walk away with concrete strategies for immediate implementation, ensuring not just proficiency but a robust foundation for a lifetime of development. Participants will work towards developing

	actionable strategies for immediate application, ensuring tangible outcomes in academic growth.
Playful Social Emotional Learning: Innovative Strategies for Building Social Emotional Competencies	Join us for an engaging exploration into the integration of play and social emotional learning (SEL) in early childhood education. Through interactive discussions and hands-on activities, discover innovative approaches tailored to nurture essential social and emotional competencies in young learners. From imaginative games to cooperative activities, uncover how play can serve as a powerful tool for developing empathy, self-awareness, and communication skills. Leave empowered with practical insights and strategies to create inclusive environments that promote emotional resilience and positive peer relationships, fostering lifelong emotional intelligence in your students.
Virtual Village: Building Family Partnerships through Tech in Early Childhood	Effective engagement with families is essential to a child's success. Technology, given the evolution of resources and increased commitments in our lives, is an essential tool to support effective engagement with families. By using technology appropriately to communicate with families, educators can share observations, data, and progress of the child in real time to partner with the families to support the child's development. Learners in this session will understand productive two-way communication and develop a plan to implement in their classroom communication model with families.
The Journey to Better Assessments: Where We've Been and Where We Need to Go	You will never meet the same three-year-old twice. As educators we know this to be true, but we assess these unique young children using the same tools and metrics. Often in education we discuss the idea of differentiating instruction, but what about differentiating assessments? Observation, documentation, assessment, and evaluation are critical components of a high-quality early childhood experience (NAEYC, 2022), but how can we rethink these processes, without throwing away what we know to be best practices for assessment young children? In this session, we will cover what we know about developmentally appropriate assessment from years of research plus new approaches to these tried and tested methods so that educators understand how to best meet the needs of individual learners to ensure their future success.