



## Seeds to Success Modified Field Test—White Center Professional Development Highlights

### Who are the Seeds participants?

**33 programs: 9 centers, 24 family child care providers**  
Serving between **6-133 children age 0-5 per program**  
Languages served: English, Spanish, Somali, Vietnamese, Tigrinya and others  
**589 children served**

### What professional development opportunities did Seeds participants pursue?

- ✓ Classes at Highline, South Seattle, North Seattle, Seattle Central Community Colleges, & Renton Technical Colleges and Eastern WA University towards CDA, AA and BA degrees
- ✓ Classes in languages including English, Spanish, and Somali
- ✓ Professional (STARS) trainings and workshops, including licensing requirements such as CPR/First Aid
- ✓ Regional and Statewide Early Learning conferences
- ✓ Customized on-site training in *Learning Stories; Positive Discipline; Handwriting without Tears ; Reggio Emilia; Adult-Child interactions; Communicating with Families*

### Seeds Participants Accomplishments

Approximately **3/4 of participants** accessed PD during the field test  
**49 providers took classes for college credit!**  
**Of these providers, 19 people took college classes for the first time!**  
7 students got initial ECE certificate from Highline CC (6 Somali students)  
73 participants took STARS or other non-credit classes (**69%** of participants)  
2 providers renewed their Child Development Associate Credential  
1 provider earned her GED

### What classes were offered here in White Center as part of Seeds?

- **ECE credit classes** offered in partnership with Highline Community College
  - 5 of the classes offered in Somali language
- **STARS classes:** *Social/Emotional Development in Young Children (3 part series); Physical Development and Movement (3 part series); FCC Business training (3 part series); Advocacy 101*

### Also....

**2420 Coaching hours provided!**