

CCRI Wraps Up Inaugural Child Care Academy

CCRI, in partnership with Project 658 and CPCC, has just wrapped up the first Child Care Academy in Mecklenburg County!

The participants in the inaugural class are all women who have immigrated to the US, currently participate in programming at Project 658, and are interested in teaching in child care. They wanted to learn more about the child care industry and have basic training to be better prepared to begin their careers as teachers.

Over the 10-week course, trainers across CCRI's initiatives delivered trainings including Child Care Basics, ITS-SIDS, Health and Safety, A+ Supervision, Trauma Responsive Care, Activity Planning, Brain Development, Positive Guidance, and Child Development Fundamentals.

The Child Care Academy concluded in mid-November with a celebration and a wrap-up session where participants were able to hear more about education pathways for early childhood at CPCC and also connect with local directors about employment. Some of the women have scheduled interviews with directors, and others have scheduled one-on-one meetings with CPCC representatives to enroll in coursework.

We already have interest in another Child Care Academy, and planning for a new cohort is underway!