### Spring 2020 EQIT Class Schedule

**Thursday Cohort (Boulder):**
- January 16, 23, 30
- February 6, 13, 20, 27
- March 5, 12, 19
- April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
- May 7, 14
*Make-up date: May 21*

All classes are 6:00 pm–9:00 pm at Boulder County Recycling Center, 1901 63rd St., Boulder, 80301

**Mandatory Orientation**
- for participants and their directors,
- Thursday, January 16, 6:00 pm–9:00 pm,
- Boulder County Recycling Center.

### Upcoming 2020 Cohorts

**Summer Intensive 2020 EQIT:**
- (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays)
- Mandatory Orientation - May 19
- May 26, 28
- June 2, 4, 13, 16, 18, 23, 25
- July 11, 14, 16, 21, 23
*Make-up date: July 28*

**Fall 2020 EQIT:**
- (Tuesdays and Thursdays)
- Mandatory Orientation - Aug 27
- September 3, 10, 15, 17, 24
- October 1, 8, 15, 20, 22, 29
- November 5, 12, 19
- December 3, 10
*Make-up date: December 17*

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### Materials Fee:
Applications must include a $50.00 nonrefundable materials fee (unless waived).

The Boulder County Department of Housing and Human Services will pay the fee for those employed in a center/home with a current CCAP agreement.

Fee may also be waived for financial hardship. Please contact Jessica Knight at 720-548-3980 to waive the fee.

### To Apply:
General online application opens:
**Monday, December 2, 2019!**

Visit our website: [www.eccbouldercounty.org](http://www.eccbouldercounty.org)
- navigate to the EQIT section of the “Professional Development” webpage
- and click on the **Spring 2020 Cohort application link.**

*Priority enrollment is given to those who are currently providing licensed infant toddler care in Boulder County.*

Contact Emily Robbins by email for assistance:
[erobbins@eccbouldercounty.org](mailto:erobbins@eccbouldercounty.org)

### For Questions about the Course:
Contact Jane Wilkinson on 303-931-9177 or email: [jen2846@comcast.net](mailto:jen2846@comcast.net)

**EQIT may prepare you for**
- Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credit for community college course ECE 111:
  - Infant/Toddler Theory and Practice.
- Contact alison.thielke@frontrange.edu for more information.

Sponsored by the Professional Development Program of the Early Childhood Council of Boulder County.

For more information go to [www.eccbouldercounty.org](http://www.eccbouldercounty.org)

Funded by the Expanding Quality in Infant/Toddler Care Program, Colorado Department of Human Services.
What Is EQIT?
EQIT is a 48-hour intensive training series for caregivers working with infants and toddlers.

There are 16 training modules:
1. Wonder of Infancy
2. Care of the Spirit
3. Responsive Caregiving for Healthy Relationships
4. Our Partners: the Families
5. Cornerstone of Quality: Safety, Health and Nutrition I
6. Cornerstone of Quality: Safety, Health and Nutrition II
7. Power of Places and Spaces
8. Curriculum for Infants & Toddlers
9. Exploring Early Learning
10. Nurturing Language and Discovering Literacy I
11. Nurturing Language and Discovering Literacy II
12. Babies in Motion
13. Gifts of Culture
14. Welcoming Children with Special Needs
15. Relationship-Based Care
16. Celebrating Our Profession

Free, on-site, strengths-based, reflective coaching is available to all infant toddler caregivers!
*Generously funded by the Colorado Department of Human Services.

What Can the EQIT Training Certificate Be Used For?

Toward Licensing Requirements:
- Director’s Qualification
- Early Childhood Teacher Qualification (formerly Group Leader)
- Assistant Early Childhood Teacher
- Infant Nursery Supervisor Qualification
- Infant/Toddler License
- 3 under 2 License
- Large Home License
- Experienced Provider License
- Family Child Care licenses

Toward Early Childhood Professional Credential 2.0:
- Can receive 19 of possible 30 points (63%) in Ongoing Professional Development area of the Early Childhood Professional Credential 2.0 (valid for three years.)
- Receive maximum 15 points for total number of Early Childhood related training hours.
- Plus two additional points for a training completed as a series.
- Plus two additional points if trainee participates in 8hrs of EQ Relate coaching as part of the training (only available to infant toddler caregivers including directors and family child care homes).

Toward Colorado Shines High Quality Rating:
- Completion of EQIT training and 8 hrs EQ Relate Coaching results in 3 points per classroom toward center or home’s Workforce Qualifications and Professional Development (within 12 months before the rating assessment).

Expanding Quality in Infant and Toddler Care

Vision:
All infant/toddler caregivers act from an appreciation and understanding of their impact on each infant and family they serve.

Mission:
Expanding Quality in Infant/Toddler Care Initiative will expand the quality and availability of responsive group care for infants and toddlers in Colorado by:
- Strengthening the skills and knowledge base of caregivers in infant and toddler development, responsive caregiving, working with families and respecting cultures.
- Facilitating professional development for infant/toddler professionals.
- Supporting leadership and collaboration at the community level.
- Promoting systematic change that will provide support for increasing quality.