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SCOE Hosting Early Learning Career and Education Expo

Solano County, CA- Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) is hosting an Early Learning Career and Education Expo at its main office located at 5100 Business Center Drive in Fairfield, on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, 4:00-7:00 p.m. This is a hiring event, as well as a resource fair for career and educational opportunities in the field of early learning and care.

Educators, college students, home-based and center-based preschool and childcare providers, and others interested in learning more about opportunities in the career field are invited to attend. Early learning employers including Solano County school districts and charters, community colleges, universities, and community-based organizations will be on hand to share information about career and education opportunities in their organizations.

"Early childhood education is critically important to building a strong foundation for lifelong learning, cognitive and social development," remarked Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson. "Teaching our youngest learners is an important and rewarding career."

Lisa Eckhoff, SCOE's Senior Director of Early Learning added, "With the expansion of universal preschool and transitional kindergarten, and the increasing need for early learning teachers, this event provides opportunities to attract new professionals to Solano's early learning workforce and support for existing staff to explore education and career advancement pathways."

Solano County's school districts, charters, and community-based organizations that operate California State Preschool Programs and Transitional Kindergarten programs are collaborating to offer countywide support for advancement, workforce recruitment, education, funding assistance, and specialized training for Solano County early learning and childcare (ELC) professionals. SCOE is the lead agency for the ELC Workforce Pathways program and will also be registering applicants for the pathways program at this event.

For more information about the Early Learning Career and Education Expo, please contact Breana Marino, Early Learning Inclusion Liaison, at BMarino@SolanoCOE.net.

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