

**Pacific Union Conference
Early Childhood Education
Fall 2020 Updates**

Curriculum

CREATION

Kids | Early Childhood Education Curriculum for ages 3 & 4 year olds

The CREATION Kids Preschool Curriculum is now on the CREATION Life platform. All the ECE programs who were already using the curriculum were moved over to the new platform. The curriculum can be ordered here: <https://training.creationlife.com/p/ecec>

NAD ECE Developmental Learning Standards

The Early Childhood Developmental Learning Standards are available here:

<https://ece.adventisteducation.org/learning-standards/> if you would like a tri-fold hard copy, let Julie know and one or more can be mailed to you.

A training video on how best use the developmental learning standards will soon be available on the Adventist Learning Community (ALC).

SDA ECE Web Sites

The PUC ECE website has many resources for ECE directors and conference ECE liaisons.

<https://paucearlychildhood.adventistfaith.org/>

The NAD ECE website has resources and helpful ECE information for our ECE programs.

<https://ece.adventisteducation.org>

California Legislative Bills to Watch

AB 2581 (Reyes) – Would establish the Department of Early Child Development within the CA Health and Human Services Agency and require specified consolidations. Creates an interagency workgroup for the coordination of services. 7/2020 – Referred to Committee on Education

SB 1075 (Gonzales, Leva) – Would authorize a school district or charter school to also admit into a transitional kindergarten (TK) program in the current school year any child who will have their 5th birthday on any day from July 1 to August 31, inclusive, of the following school year, subject to conditions of existing law. 8/2020 Active Bill in Committee Process

AB 123 (McCarty, and more) - Expands access to full-day, full-year, high-quality preschool for 4-year-olds living in low income neighborhoods and all 3-year-olds in poverty • Provides incentives for districts to reduce student to teacher ratios in TK classrooms • Significantly increases State Preschool teacher pay • Increases qualifications for lead State Preschool teachers over an 8-year period • Provides scholarships and supports for teachers to attain higher qualifications and offers an alternative certificate for experienced teachers. 8/2020 Active Bill in Committee Process