



# Caring Conversations with Families to Support Participation & Engagement

*Strategies for Maryland's Pre-K Programs*

Wednesday, November 10, 2021  
1:00pm – 2:00pm ET

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This webinar is the fourth in a series of four about pre-K attendance and family participation during the Covid-19 pandemic. The webinars are a part of a research study sponsored by the **Maryland State Department of Education**, with the **University of Maryland** and **Attendance Works** as project partners.

**Would you like some strategies to use when you have to have those uncomfortable conversations with families about their child?** This webinar will provide an overview of Caring Conversations, a strategic framework and structure for early childhood educators and administrators when communicating with families about attendance concerns. Meaningful connections with students and families are essential to regular pre-K attendance and participation, whether learning is taking place in school or at home.

During this session, we will revisit our core data points for staying connected to families and hear from educators about strategies they've put in place to connect with and engage students and families during these challenging times.

Each of the four webinars in this series stands alone. We will build on topics discussed in the earlier webinars, but you are encouraged to join us regardless of whether or not you attended a prior session.

**After you participate in the webinar, you will be asked to consent to take a brief survey which will be sent after the session.** This will help us to learn more about pre-K attendance practices in Maryland and to help enhance attendance practices of Maryland's pre-K programs.

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