

Me to We: Supporting Classroom Community



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A classroom community is a place where children feel a sense of belonging and connection to their peers and teachers. Teachers and children work together to create an environment where every member feels welcome, valued and a strong sense of connection to each other. In this workshop, we will discuss the importance of belonging and review High Scope's teaching strategies for developing a sense of community.

Objectives

Participants will be able to describe a sense of belonging and why it is important to young learners

Participants will be able to identify High Scope strategies for developing a sense of community in their classrooms.

High Scope Teaching Strategies for Developing a Sense of Community

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