



E-Blast



As we head into the long weekend, we wanted to send a quick note of appreciation to our incredible Educational Assistants and Child and Youth Workers.

Whether you are celebrating Easter or simply looking forward to the first real signs of spring, we hope this weekend brings you exactly what you need: true downtime.

The work you do is physically and emotionally demanding. You spend your days giving so much of yourselves to our students and school communities, and we want to remind you that you deserve this time to pour back into your own cup.

We hope you find time to disconnect from the "hustle," enjoy your loved ones, and recharge in whatever way feels best to you.

Thank you for the heart and dedication you bring to your roles every single day. We are so proud to represent you.

Have a safe, restful, and wonderful extra long weekend!

Your EAA Executive Team



The EAA is thrilled to announce an upcoming professional development opportunity in partnership with **Empower ABA: Behaviour Services & Supports**. This workshop is intended for Educational Assistants supporting students in grades 1–3.

At Empower ABA: Behaviour Services & Supports, we are passionate about strengthening the network around neurodiverse individuals. In particular, we are committed to equipping direct support staff with practical strategies and tools that support student success—while also prioritizing your own well-being.



Expanding Your Toolbox for Supporting Early Learners

Professional development session for supporting students in grades 1-3

Direct support staff play a key role in supporting academic, social, and emotional development.

This session is designed to support you in your role and build on your existing strategies.

Topics could include: *strategies to support your students, emotional regulation, behaviour management, student autonomy & assent, self-care & burnout*

🌟 We want to hear from you! 🌟

Your input and experiences will guide the focus of our session.

Google Form



<https://bit.ly/PDInputForm>

Virtual Session

Date: Thursday, April 16, 2025

Time: 8:30-9:00am



<https://bit.ly/VirtualInput>

Complete the form **or** join a short virtual feedback session to share what would be most helpful for you.

Professional Development Session

🌟 Register: <https://bit.ly/PDRegistry> 🌟

Date: Saturday, May 2, 2026

Time: 9:30-11:30am

Location: The Family Centre, Kitchener

Facilitated by Empower ABA: Behaviour Services & Supports



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In partnership with WRDSB EA Association



Share Your Input Here

Registration Form

Don't miss out on this amazing PD opportunity!

First Come First Serve - Register Early

In person training location: The Family Centre: 65 Hanson Ave. Kitchener, ON

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