

# Common Goal of Healthy, Successful Children

## SUPPORTING EARLY CARE & LEARNING PROGRAMS

**Learn & Grow** is Alaska's Quality Recognition and Improvement System (QRIS) and its mission is to advance the quality of early care and learning to foster the success of young children.



Identifies and supports quality standards for early care and learning programs.



**Learn & Grow**  
*Alaska's Commitment to Quality Early Care & Learning*

**Learn & Grow** includes five levels of program quality that incorporates the following quality standards:

- Administration & Leadership
- Early Childhood Educator Qualifications and Professional Development
- Learning Environment, Adult-Child Interactions, and Child Outcomes
- Family & Community Engagement

**Learn & Grow** and **Alaska SEED** work together to improve the quality of early care and learning because it matters **where children are** and **who they are with**.

## SUPPORTING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS

**Alaska System for Early Education Development (SEED)** is Alaska's early childhood professional development system that unites and advances the needs of the early childhood education professionals.



Identifies, supports, develops standards for individuals working in early care and education.



**Alaska SEED** cultivates the quality of professionalism in the early education field through the following:

- Alaska SEED Registry and Early Childhood & School-Age Career Ladder
  - Alaska SEED Professional Development Funding
  - Alaska SEED Trainer and Training Approval System
  - Alaska's Early Care and Learning Core Knowledge and Competencies
- working together

### Learn & Grow and Alaska SEED Outcomes

- \* Communities have a healthy and sustainable workforce, and high quality early care and learning programs.
- \* Drive quality and accountability for early care and learning practitioners and programs.
- \* Bring increased recognition, professionalism and compensation to the early care and learning field.
- \* Promote accountability to help policy makers and funders feel confident about investing in quality early care and learning.