Nanny & Me

Certificate In Early Literacy Practices for Nannies and Caregivers

Staff Training Webinar

Bklyn Public Library

What is Nanny & Me?

- A 4-part **workshop and storytime** presented by librarians for nannies/caregivers and the children they care for (ages 0-3).
- Models ways to **read, talk, sing, and play** with young children.
- Upon completion, caregivers will receive a **Certificate in Early Literacy Practices**.
- An opportunity for nannies and caregivers to **connnect to library resources** and other professionals.

NANNY & ME PILOT SURVEY

Professional Development

Interested in attending free professional development at the library

Certificate in Early Literacy Practices

Felt a certificate would be useful in their carreer

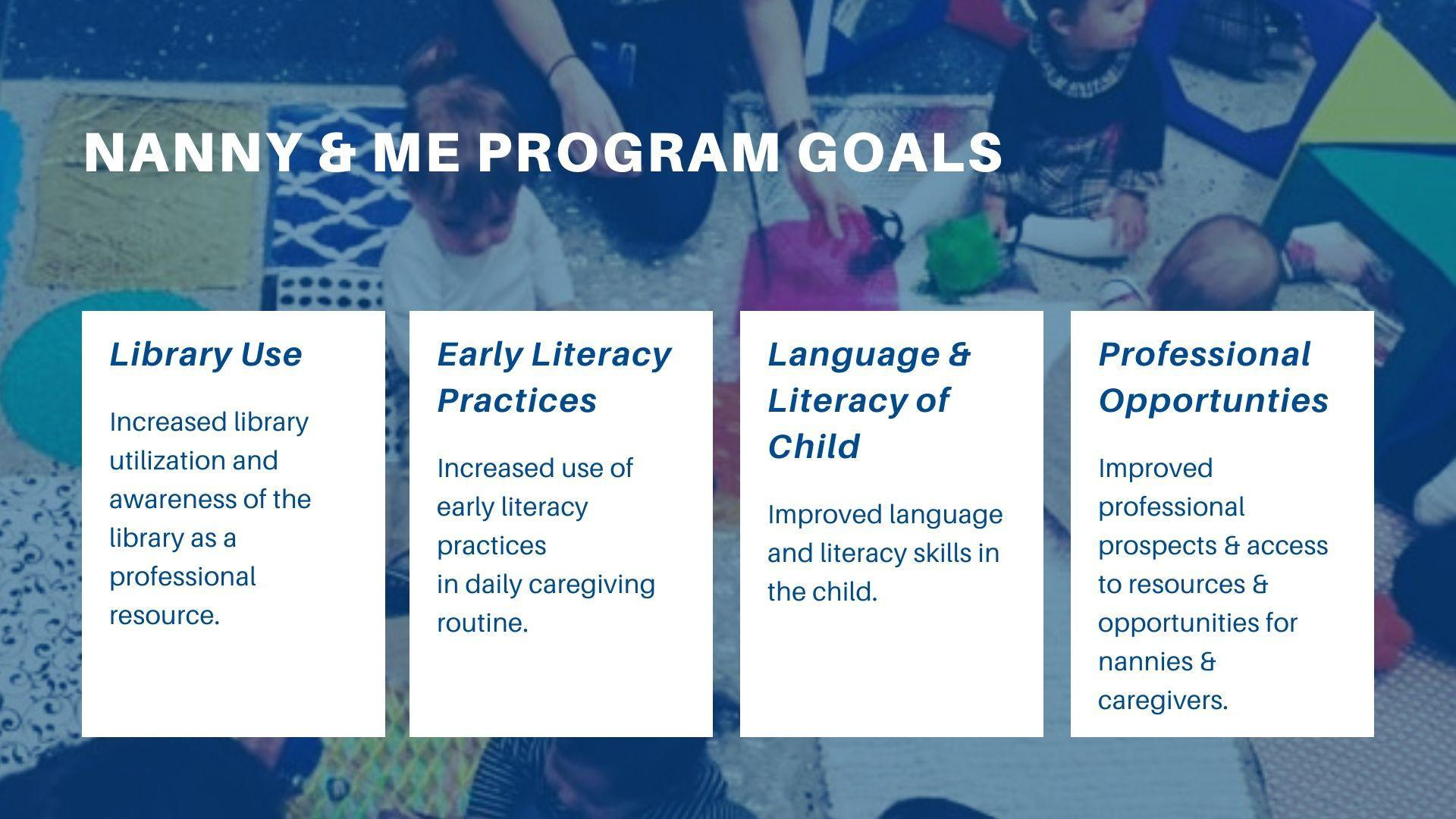
Interests

Brain building
Child development
Language development
Choosing books
Read-aloud techniques

Access/Barriers

Must be offered during workday

Must be allowed to bring children they care for



NANNY & ME PROGRAM GOALS

Library Use

Increased library utilization and awareness of the library as a professional resource.

Early Literacy Practices

Increased use of early literacy practices in daily caregiving routine.

Language & Literacy of Child

Improved language and literacy skills in the child.

Professional Opportunties

Improved professional prospects & access to resources & opportunities for nannies & caregivers.

NANNY & ME PROGRAM RESOURCES FOR LIBRARIANS

Program Guide

Detailed program guide is available on the Bline and the staff Wiki.

Booklists

Nanny & Me booklists for Babies and Toddlers are available in the Catalog.

Flyers and Promotional Materials

Flyer templates, printable calendars, and online calendar guildelines are in the Bline and on the Wiki.

Webinar & Observations

We created a 20 minute N & M webinar, and encourage observing a program.

NANNY & ME WORKSHOPS

- **Session 1: Read!**

  Explore how and why we read with children from birth and what kinds of books are most appropriate for babies and toddlers at different stages in their development.

- **Session 2: Talk!**

  Explore the difference between receptive and expressive language and how talking supports the development of both.

- **Session 3: Sing!**

  Model singing as a way to promote language by teaching words & concepts, & slowing down language so children can hear the smaller sounds in words.

- **Session 4: Play!**

  Model how children learn language through play, explore the stages and kinds of play, and provide hands-on play experiences to demonstrate.

WORKSHOP STRUCTURE

- **Welcome/ Introductions**
  Hello song, introduce weekly theme, group introductions identifying strengths
- **Storytime Activity**
  Read aloud as a group and model best practices
- **Early Literacy Tips**
  Deliver 3-4 literacy tips through demonstrations and a video clip
- **Practice Techniques**
  Caregivers apply tips/techniques in an activity with their charge (or breakout groups)
- **Discussion / Reflection**
  Caregivers reflect and share their own tips and/or challenges
- **Resources**
  Share additional programs and resources available at the Library

ROOM SET-UP

Storytime set-up with toys

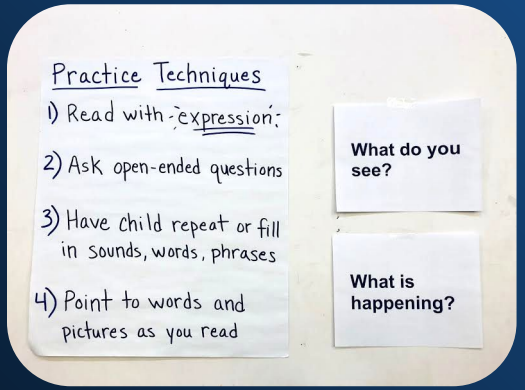


Chart paper with tips

Book display related to theme

Take home resources

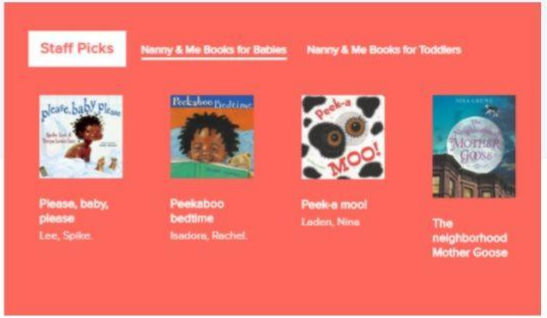
TAKE HOME RESOURCES

Early Literacy Calendar

A weekly tracker to inspire caregivers to use early literacy practices daily.

Read, Play, Grow! Tip Cards

Songs, rhymes, and brain-building tips and activities in English and Spanish.



Booklists

Recommended books for babies and toddlers to encourage language and learning!

Certificate in Early Literacy Practices

Certificates are issued after the last session, or after the participant has completed all four sessions.

FEEDBACK FROM PARTICIPANTS

"I realized that every interaction can be a moment to teach and learn."

"Everyone in this class was like family"

"Other nannies had great suggestions for how to read and sing with babies."

NEXT STEPS

CPR / First Aid Training

Free CPR / First Aid workshops for Nanny & Me participants

Monthly Meet-ups

A time for Nannies and children to socialize while having group discussions.

Expand Nanny & Me

Offer Nanny & Me in additional Brooklyn Public Library branches

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