

Multi-Tiered Family Engagement

Individual Professionals Path: Level 2

Schools often organize their work into tiers – Universal Tier 1 strategies for all students, Tailored Tier 2 strategies for subsets of students, and Individual Tier 3 strategies for a few students. By centering families' strengths, needs, and preferences, schools can also use a tiered approach to planning for family engagement. The seminar is delivered in three learning blocks through a flipped instructional model. For each block, you will first complete a self-paced online module to build your background knowledge of multi-tiered family engagement. Then you will join an instructor-led online workshop session to apply knowledge to your school or program. The process will repeat for two learning blocks.

Learning Objectives:

- I can describe different tiers of support for family engagement.
- I can describe the roles for families in a multi-tiered approach to family engagement.
- I can investigate family needs and opportunities for engagement at each tier.
- I can determine school response and support strategies at each tier.
- I can explain how and why families with shared experiences engage with schools to support their children.
- I can predict decision indicators for revising and adapting practices to center families' needs and preferences.

Outcome: The outcome of this seminar is to create a multi-tiered plan for family engagement to support student learning and development in your setting.

Prerequisite: Foundations of Family Engagement or Unlocking Early Literacy with Family-Teacher Collaboration

Contact Hours: 60, equivalent to 6 Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

Cost: Free

Schedule:

Learning Block	Module Open Date	Module Close Date	Workshop Date
Learning Block 1: A Tiered Approach to Family Engagement	January 9, 2026	January 14, 2026	January 15, 2026
Learning Block 2: Really Getting to Know All Your Families	January 15, 2026	January 21, 2026	January 22, 2026
Learning Block 3: Adapting to Families' Needs and Preferences	January 22, 2026	January 28, 2026	January 29, 2026

Learning Block: Corresponding module and workshop.

Module: Self-paced content that will be accessed through the Ohio Statewide Family Engagement Center website. Module will include all needed materials, assignments, and resources.

Workshop: Instructor-led online meeting of all seminar participants featuring application of knowledge and collaboration with other learners.