

EARLY START

A parent-participation early intervention group for children with special needs

Early Start at the Casa Colina Children's Services Center is a parent-participation early intervention group for children with special needs, where parents and staff work together to teach the child gross motor, fine motor, language, critical thinking, and social-emotional regulation skills. Early Start is led by Early Intervention instructors, with consultation provided by physical therapists, occupational therapists, and speech-language pathologists and assistants.



This "Parent and Me" program is structured, goal oriented, and facilitated in a learning-rich environment where all families are respected and welcomed. Early Start participants will work with their instructors and parents/guardians on:

- ◆ Critical thinking
- ◆ Working in small groups
- ◆ Working in groups of 6-12 students
- ◆ Transitioning between activities
- ◆ Taking direction from an adult
- ◆ Imaginary play
- ◆ Self-regulation
- ◆ Taking turns and sharing
- ◆ Music and art
- ◆ Separation from parents
- ◆ Community engagement and participation through monthly field trips

Classes coming soon to Casa Colina's Pomona campus!

This program is funded by regional center. For more information, please contact 909/596-7733, ext. 4200 or jshannon@casacolina.org.

