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## **Child Care Education News from CCEI**

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### **Outdoor Explorations**

When thinking of outdoor time for our preschoolers the first thing that comes to mind is play time and recreation. Although outdoor play time is a much needed and beneficial part of the preschool day, there is so much more that can be done and learned outdoors.

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## **What are the Benefits of Outdoor Learning and Explorations?**

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## **Additional Articles**

[Outdoor Learning A National Guide for Early Childhood Educators | Early Childhood Development Agency](#)

[How to get started with early childhood outdoor learning for toddlers and preschoolers | Nature of Early Play](#)

[Outdoor learning and green time: How kids benefit from learning and playing in nature | Parenting Science](#)

[Rethinking Outdoor Space for High-Quality Early Learning | New America](#)

## **Survey Results: May 2024 Newsletter**

**How often do you approach interactions with children through the lens of how trauma impacts emotions, behaviors, and the ability to learn?**

- A. Never - **2.27%**
- B. Some of the time - **29.55%**
- C. Most of the time - **43.18%**
- D. Always - **25%**

### **Survey Question:**

**How do you view the outdoor space that is available for your students?**

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## Blog



## Make Your Outdoor Space an Extension of Your Indoor Learning

Getting our preschool students outdoors is of great benefit to their development. Establishing outdoor time as part of the daily routine, for play and learning is a must in any program. Much of what is done in the classroom can be easily translated to the outdoor environment. This can be done by incorporating how we use and design our indoor space to our outdoor learning space.

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