



WORKSHOP
FOR EDUCATORS

Part of the Looking Through an Adoption and
Foster Care Lens Workshop Series

Trauma & Loss: Creating School Communities of Well-being

All teachers have children in their class who are dealing with the impact of trauma and loss in their lives. Some through their journeys of foster care and adoption, and others through immigration as refugees, violence in the home, conflict in parental separation and divorce, or a serious illness or death in the family.

Childhood development and brain research demonstrate that these early experiences of loss and trauma, and in particular relational trauma, impact children's learning. These vulnerable children are also often at risk of being misunderstood because of their behaviours.

This Workshop has been designed specifically for teachers and educators to build greater awareness of how to create a school culture that emphasizes a positive, safe and welcoming environment for children who experience foster care, adoption and other situations that make them vulnerable. Creating school communities of well-being is good for all children.

Participants will learn:

- Benefits of Trauma-sensitive Schools
- Effects of Early-Life Adversity on Childhood brain development
- Interface of Trauma & Learning
- Adoption & Foster Care Through a Trauma lens
- Positive Adoption & Foster Care Language & Assignments
- Resources for How to Create School Communities of Well-being

Interested?
Bring this workshop
to your school, board
or federation.
Contact us.

Questions?

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Workshops can be arranged upon request.