

# Announcing the 2024 TK Institute Opening & Closing Presenter



## Making TK A Solution, Not A Situation

The opening session will set the stage to learn more about your challenges, your successes, what resources you need – to unpack and discuss the “elephant in the room.” Our hope is for a transformative and restorative experience, but it will require some work. We acknowledge that you may be feeling disgruntled, frustrated, excited, hopeful or anything in between. This is your space to share freely, to be able to collaborate with like-minded professionals. Together we can build and enhance the needed resources and connections for professionals to support developmentally appropriate experiences and outcomes for the early learners.

### Meet Tarsha Jordan!

Tarsha Jordan is a distinguished career educator and passionate early childhood education specialist who has dedicated herself to enhancing the early learning experience. She has 25 years plus of experience working with young children. Her career has spanned roles as both a teacher and administrator, reflecting her deep commitment to fostering educational excellence from multiple perspectives. Her pedagogical approach is characterized by a commitment to social justice, diversity, equity, and inclusion, ensuring that all students have access to quality education and opportunities for growth.

She is a fervent enthusiast of S.T.E.A.M. education (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics), believing in its transformative power to engage and inspire young minds. Tarsha’s role extends beyond the classroom as she serves as an impactful conference facilitator and goal-driven early childhood education consultant. Currently pursuing her doctoral degree, Tarsha Jordan enjoys collaborating with teacher cohorts, schools, districts, and organizations to drive meaningful change in early childhood education. Her mission is to collaborate with teams to empower early learners for a lifetime of learning, embodying her vision of creating lifelong learners who thrive in diverse educational environments.

### Background

- Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential, California Administrative Services Credential, California
- MA in Educational Leadership, San Francisco State University MPA with an emphasis in Public Policy, Cal State East Bay BA in Sociology, UC Berkeley
- Current EdD Student, Mills College
- PITC Certification, Modules 1 and 2
- STEAM Specialist
- CAAEYC East Bay Chapter Public Policy Chair
- Elementary Teacher, 25+ years
- TK Teacher
- School Principal
- Curriculum Coach
- Facilitator
- Consultant



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