

## **Shaping Buncombe & Early Childhood Education Center Agreement**

Buncombe Partnership for Children (BPFC) recognizes that any improved practice can have a big impact on the health and wellbeing of our community. In order to celebrate these successes, BPFC will provide an award of \$250 for each new best practice achieved up to \$1,000 per center. Funds are limited. Awards are paid on a first-come first-served rolling basis upon receipt of completed documentation with a deadline of June 1 each year.

In order to receive the award, ECE Center Directors must provide a copy of their completed pre- and post-NAP-SACC assessment and action plan. In addition, supplemental documentation of the best practice must be provided. This can include but is not limited to: photos of completed projects, receipts or invoices for equipment, training agendas and sign-in sheets, and copies of written policies. Please submit all documentation once goal is completed to Natasha Bowden, BPFC Shape Specialist, at [natasha@buncombepfc.org](mailto:natasha@buncombepfc.org). The ECE Director must also complete the [technical assistance evaluation form](#) to be eligible for the award. Upon approval, both the Specialist and center director will sign an invoice created by the Specialist for award dissemination. Requests can be submitted on a rolling basis. Award checks will be provided within the following month.

These awards are meant to serve as both an incentive and a reward for completing best practices and shall be used in any way that benefits the center as a whole. Examples of how awards can be utilized include but are not limited to: staff bonuses, parties to celebrate success, and purchasing equipment or materials for the center that align with the goal area.