



Building Capacity to Maximize Student Engagement in Atlanta Public Schools

What is this project?

- This project is a partnership between Atlanta Public Schools and the Marcus Autism Center.
- The goal is to build APS capacity to enhance student engagement for all learners using evidence-based and trauma-informed early childhood practices.

Project Timeline

- In Spring 2023, **12 Instructional Support Specialists** (i.e., early childhood coaches) were trained.
- **100%** of those who were trained and **one additional** coach opted to participate in a train-the-trainer model of delivery starting September 2023
- Initially, **only 5** pre-K classrooms were to receive coaching.
- Since coaching began in October 2023, an additional 21 classrooms have opted in, representing growth of **440%**
- Data collection from coaches and teachers has been close to **100%**



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Number of **pre-K classrooms** estimated to be impacted in the 2023-2024 year

32

Number of **pre-K teachers** estimated to be impacted in the 2023-2024 year

468

Number of **pre-K students** estimated to be impacted in the 2023-2024 year