

PROFILE

Krista M. Respass

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Krista Respass joined Maryland Public Television in 2001 and today serves as senior managing director of the Education Division's early childhood education unit.

Ms. Respass is the senior managing director of Early Childhood Education Services at MPT. She has worked in public media for more than 20 years, bringing PBS KIDS educational media content to educators and families.

In her current position, Ms. Respass cultivates and maintains strategic partnerships and works closely with the Maryland State Department of Education to inform MPT's development and implementation of state-approved early learning and professional learning activities for early childhood educators. Her responsibilities include coordinating the activities of professional and technical personnel to develop and implement various professional development models, student learning resources, and family engagement activities in diverse communities.

Ms. Respass leads her team in conducting statewide professional learning sessions in early childhood education practices, particularly in the area of media literacy, developmentally appropriate technology integration, and curricula. Further, in collaboration with PBS, she has led the development of several national professional learning courses and early childhood activities.

A regular presenter at local, state, and national early childhood education conferences, Ms. Respass has served on the Maryland Family Engagement Coalition and chaired its Early Childhood Technology Subcommittee. She is also a past secretary for the Maryland Out of School Time Network board of directors.

She started her career as an early childhood educator before serving as training director and inclusion project coordinator for the Baltimore City Child Care Resources Center, a private nonprofit organization. She began her career as an early childhood educator and tutor for children with autism before training educators on techniques for adapting learning activities and routines to improve inclusive practices.

An alumna of Towson University, Ms. Respass earned a bachelor's degree in psychology. She currently resides in Owings Mills.



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