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Stacie G. Goffin, Ed.D.

Stacie Goffin, Principal of the Goffin Strategy Group, is a recognized authority on early childhood education. She brings a blend of academic, philanthropic, government-related, and executive-level experiences to her work. She has a broad understanding of early childhood education's multiple sectors and its efforts to construct coherent systems that transcend the field's notorious fragmentation. Currently prodding early childhood education re-form itself as a coherent field of practice, her conceptual leadership is widely recognized for stimulating consideration of a new developmental trajectory for early childhood education's future.

Established in 2004, the Goffin Strategy Group uniquely focuses on developing leadership capacity and fostering systems change to strengthen early childhood education's ability to provide effective programs and services for young children. Its results are accomplished through conceptual leadership and customized consultation, including design, facilitation, implementation, and analysis of complex issues.

Stacie has worked with local and state organizations, philanthropy, governments, and national organizations. She has led and/or facilitated multiple change initiatives of significance, including the redesign of NAEYC's early childhood program accreditation system, leading to development of the field's first national program standards. Spanning higher education, local, state, and national organizations, organizational development and advocacy, and field-wide change initiatives, her efforts have led to changes for policy, programs, and practice as well as development of new organizations. She is strategic and results-oriented with proven ability to spearhead change and conceptualize and execute sustainable initiatives.

A former preschool teacher of children with special needs, and undergraduate and graduate faculty member, Stacie is a prolific author who has authored textbooks and seminal publications, including *Ready or Not: Leadership Choices in Early Care and Education*; *Early Childhood Education for a New Era: Leading for Our Profession*; and *Professionalizing Early Childhood Education as a Field of Practice: A Guide to the Next Era*. Her writing, presentations, and consultations have earned her a respected reputation as an agent for change. She recently concluded her role as the series editor for *Moving Beyond False Choices for Early Childhood*

*Educators*, an innovative, on-line New America blog series. She was chosen in 2018 by *Exchange* magazine and its partners as a Doyen (the most respected or prominent person in a field). More information on Stacie can be found at [www.goffinstrategygroup.com](http://www.goffinstrategygroup.com)