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2004 - present, providing leadership aimed at improving children's outcomes through quality early care and education.

## **Why Nature-based Learning?**

Not only is it one of the strongest approaches for teaching early learning skills, it instills in children a deep connection to nature. As nature dwindles and our planet warms, champions for nature are critical. We must remember, people do not fight for that which they do not love. Nature-based early educators offer this rare and precious gift.

