## **QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION & GROUP DISCUSSION**

- 1. What does the term executive function mean to you? Discuss/reflect on two or three things this tutorial taught you.
- 2. As a group, talk about each of these key aspects of executive function, and how they relate to your program.

Impulse control	<b>Emotional control</b>	Flexible thinking
Working memory	Self-monitoring	Planning and prioritizing
Task initiation	Organization	

- a. What are you already doing to support these skills in your program?
- b. How are children doing in these areas? Are the children struggling with some areas more than others?
- c. Brainstorm three or four ideas for how your team can better support each of the executive function skills listed above in your program.
- 3. Reflection: When we support children's executive functioning and skill development, how can it help our program to run more smoothly?
- 4. List two ways that your team can better support parents in understanding and supporting their children's executive functioning and skill development?
- 5. List three key points from this tutorial that will impact your program in the future.
- 6. Identify at least 3 activities that you'd like to try with the children in your program from the <u>Activities Guide for Enhancing and Practicing Executive Function Skills with Children of all ages</u>. It was developed by the Centre on the Developing Child at Harvard University, and it's full of great information and activity ideas for you to use in your program!

