



State Early Childhood Advisory Council

Division of Early Childhood

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PRESENTED BY

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Childhood



Presentation Outline

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Recognition of Councilmembers
2. Old Business – Updates
3. New Business – Local ECAC Updates
4. Break
5. Early Childhood Career Ladder Workgroup Application Announcement



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Welcome, Introductions, and Recognition of Councilmembers

Welcome and Housekeeping Notes

- All participants will be muted upon joining the meeting.
- Please enter your name, organization, or local education agency in the chat box.
- If you are a Councilmember, please indicate that in the chat.
- Participants will be able to ask questions by typing their question(s) and general comments in the chat box.
- Presenters will stop after their presentations to review and answer questions in the chat box.
- All meeting materials will be sent out after the meeting along with the recording of the full meeting.

Meeting Norms

- We will respect everyone's time by starting on time and ending on time.
- Only one conversation at a time. Please refrain from side conversations during the workgroups.
- We will agree to capture off topic items and agree to discuss them later.
- We will agree to focus on positivity and being solution-oriented.
- Ask questions for clarification to help avoid any assumptions.
- We will come empowered to effectively improve outcomes for children and families.

Purpose

- **The State Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC)** is comprised of early childhood educators, policymakers, and community advocates from across the state. The purpose of the State ECAC is to coordinate efforts among early care and education programs, conduct needs assessments concerning early childhood education and development programs, and develop a statewide strategic report regarding early childhood education and care.
 - [2019 Council Priorities](#)
 - [ECAC Statute](#)
 - [Approved Bylaws of the ECAC](#)

<https://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/councilsworkgroups/state-early-childhood-advisory-council-ecac>



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Old Business – Updates

Angeline Bishop-Oshoko, Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives and Operations

Karma Sewell-Carpenter, Program Specialist, Strategic Initiatives and Operations

Review of Strategies



- Rebranding
 - Proposed strategies identified to rebrand the ECAC for enhanced visibility and community engagement.
- Communication
 - Proposed strategies identified for creating an effective communication plan to support the rebranding efforts.



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New Business – Local ECAC Updates

Leslie Frei, Frederick County, Supervisor, Early Childhood Education & Judy Centers

Pamela M. Brown, Ph.D., Executive Director, Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth and Families

Angela Gebert and Elizabeth Miller, Co-Chairs, Queen Anne's Early Childhood Advisory Council

Local ECAC Updates

- Frederick County, Early Childhood Education & Judy Centers
- Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth and Families
- Queen Anne's Early Childhood Advisory Council

Committees, Task Forces, and Work Groups



Brainstorming:

- Potential new committees.
- Task forces and work groups.



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10 minutes



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Early Childhood Career Ladder Workgroup



The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) is seeking a diverse group of individuals with expertise in early childhood-related areas. Participants will contribute to designing and preparing implementation recommendations for a career ladder with multiple pathways that support early childhood educators at different phases of their careers.

Application Link:

https://msde.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cUuI2AAReLu4zkO

State Early Childhood Advisory Council Announcements

Please look out for a survey regarding today's meeting. This feedback will help inform the agenda for future meetings.

Future State ECAC Meetings:

- Wednesday, March 5, 2025

State ECAC Coordinators:

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