



Preschool Coordinator Advisory Group (PCAG)

Kentucky Department of Education

Meeting to be held in person at the 300 Building 5th Floor State Board Room

and virtually via Microsoft Teams

July 28, 2021 1:00am-3:00pm ET

Purpose: The Preschool Coordinator Advisory Group (PCAG) was created to advise the Office of Special Education and Early Learning (OSEEL) on unmet needs and issues relevant to state-funded preschool. The PCAG consists of 10 members who represent each region across the state. The members of this group are actively engaged within the work of state-funded preschool. These members provide valuable feedback and suggestions on critical issues that align with the OSEEL priorities and this feedback is used to help shape the guidance and support being provided by the OSEEL staff.

AGENDA

I. Roll Call of Members

Dr. Whitney Stevenson
PCAG Chair
Fayette County Public Schools

II. Welcome

Dr. Jason Glass, Commissioner and Chief Learner, Kentucky Department of Education
Gretta Hylton, Associate Commissioner, Office of Special Education and Early Learning,
Kentucky Department of Education

III. Review of Norms

Dr. Whitney Stevenson
PCAG Chair
Fayette County Public Schools

IV. Review and approval of last meeting minutes

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V. Preschool and Kindergarten Academy Update

Stephanie Ernst
State Transformation Specialist
Guiding question: How can the Academy/KDE support classroom teachers beyond course completion?

VI. Preschool Enrollment Improvement

Bill Buchanan
Education Program Consultant, Division of IDEA Implementation and Preschool
Guiding Question: How can we increase preschool enrollment in a post-pandemic environment?

IX. PCAG Priority Work

Behavior support for teachers
Guiding Question: What supports are needed for teachers regarding challenging behaviors?

Preschool Enrollment
Guiding Question: How can we increase preschool enrollment in a post-pandemic environment, specifically for “at risk” children?

Teacher preparation and certification (recruitment and retention)
Guiding Question: Recruitment of IECE teachers continues to be a challenge. How can we impact this as an advisory group?

X. Closing remarks and exit slip

XI. Adjourn

Next Meeting: October 28, 2021