

All In For Kansas Kids



Early Childhood Recommendations Panel

MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2021



WELCOME

Thank you for serving Kansas children, their families, and our state's early childhood care and education professionals!

This is a remote meeting.

- Today's meeting materials are posted on the [Panel Meetings webpage](#) on the Children's Cabinet site.
- Panel members will clearly identify themselves when they begin speaking.
- Panel members can use the "raise hand" feature to show they are ready to share.



TODAY'S AGENDA – PART 1

- Welcome
- Approval of agenda and September meeting minutes
- Kansans' Open Forum
- Follow up from October 1 Children's Cabinet meeting
- Making Panel recommendations / Discussion
- Member poll



TODAY'S AGENDA – PART 2

- Work Group breakout sessions
- *10-minute break at 10:00 a.m.*
- Work Group reports
- Future Agenda Items / Bright Spots / Upcoming Meetings
- Adjourn



ACTION ITEMS

Panel members - please clearly identify yourself when you begin speaking to make and second a motion.

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of September 17, 2021 meeting minutes



KANSANS' OPEN FORUM

Kansans may email Debbie Deere (ddeere@ksde.org) by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 14 to share written comments or to sign up to share verbal comments with the Panel during this portion of the meeting.



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Follow up discussion from the
October 1st Children's
Cabinet Meeting

DEBBIE DEERE

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITIONS TOOLKIT

*-School districts -Head Start programs –Preschools –
Child Care providers –Parents/Caretakers –Health
providers –Health Departments –Mental Health Care
providers –Local businesses –Local resource &
referral agencies –Local library –Child/Family
community groups –Higher education resources –
Faith based organizations –Private schools*

**Potential Partner
Examples**



<https://kschildrenscabinet.org/project/mou-toolkit/>

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITIONS TOOLKIT

Questions:

- *Are you currently using the Toolkit? How and/or where?*
- *What targeted work are you engaged with in this area?*
- *Success stories or highlights to share.*

Debbie Deere, ddeere@ksde.org

Feedback Questions



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Making Panel
recommendations / Discussion

DEBBIE DEERE

PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- Clear identification of the entity that will receive the recommendation
 - Recommendations adopted by the full Panel are brought forward to the Children's Cabinet for consideration.
 - Reference the 2020 Kindergarten Transitions Toolkit as a good example of what a successful recommendation process looks like.

**Roles/Norms/
Procedures**



PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- Background information explaining the issue that includes a description of:
 - o How considerations of equity have informed this recommendation,
 - o How Kansas families have shaped this recommendation
 - o The councils, committees, or workgroups with expertise, experience, or jurisdiction related to the issue

**Roles/Norms/
Procedures**



KINDERGARTEN TRANSITIONS TOOLKIT TIMELINE

July 2020 – Kindergarten Transitions Work Group was announced

August-Oct 2020 - Work Group met

October 2020 – Presentation to the full Panel of Toolkit materials

December 2020 – Presentation to the Kansas Children’s Cabinet for approval

EXAMPLE



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Member Poll
DEBBIE DEERE

PANEL MEMBER POLL QUESTIONS

- Are you finding the current work group and meeting format favorable?
- Do you feel the work groups are a productive use of the Panel's meeting time?
- Is the progress of your work group meeting your expectations?
- Do you have any suggestions for changes to the current meeting format?



WORK GROUP INFORMATION

- Please join your assigned Work Group – Zoom links were sent in advance
- Quality & Environments Work Group remains in main meeting room
- Separate Zoom links provided for:
 - Child Care Recruitment & Retention
 - Family Partnerships
- You will return to this main room after our breakout session



*The Kansas Early Childhood Recommendations
Panel Work Groups will begin breakout sessions*

A 10-minute break will occur at 10:00 a.m.

*Livestreaming for each group is available via the
Children's Cabinet YouTube.*





BREAK



WORK GROUP REPORTS

Each Work Group will share a brief (5 minute) report.

- Child Care Recruitment & Retention
- Family Partnerships
- Quality & Environments



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND BRIGHT SPOTS

Requests for future agenda items

****Bright Spots – Panel members are invited to share****

Upcoming Meetings (all via Zoom):

- Early Childhood Recommendations Panel: Friday, November 19 - 9:00-11:30 a.m. (Third Fridays of the month, 9:00-11:30 a.m.)
- Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund meeting – Friday, December 3 - 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Early Childhood Stakeholders Group meeting – Friday, December 3 – 1:30-3:00 p.m.





Adjourn

