

Strengthening Early Childhood in Kansas

WEBINAR DECEMBER 13, 2023





WELCOME

- Webinar Cadence Updates
 - AIFKK webinars will be held every 2nd Wednesday of the month in 2024
 - You should have received Zoom correspondence after the last webinar with instruction on how to add this series to your calendar! Subject Line: KS Early Childhood Systems-Building Webinar (2024) Confirmation
 - If you did NOT receive this email, please email me at jgruss@ku.edu
- Sign up to receive our All In For Kansas Kids e-Newsletter on the Children's Cabinet website – <u>http://www.kschildrenscabinet.org/</u>
- Presentation on the Family Round Tables, Family Leadership Team future work, and Actionable Solutions by Rachel Gardner of KU CPPR and Cora Ungerer of KDHE
- Early Childhood Systems Updates





2024 Webinar Schedule

January 10th February 14th March 13th April 10th May 8th June 12th July 10th August 14th September 11th October 9th November 13th December 11th

All In For Kansas Kids

Engaging with Experts: Family Voice Round Table

FAMILY LEADERSHIP TEAM Children's Cabinet

ORANGE SPARKLE BALL



Continue to elevate voices of lived experience

- Identify important topics
- Identify who they wanted to hear from
- Craft knowledgeable solutions that are:
 - easily accessible
 - trustworthy
 - culturally-responsive







Technology

Digital platform to include:

- Resources
- Continued learning

• Process

ASQ knowledge and understanding from a parent view

Connection

Voices across the state

Enhance awareness of 1-800-CHILDREN







Family Leadership Team (FLT) will create action plan for 2024







FLT welcomes new members If you are interested, contact Cora Ungerer at <u>Cora.Ungerer@ks.gov</u>

•Bright Spot Piece







Thank you! #Allinforkanaskids



Early Childhood Systems Updates



CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND ACCELERATOR

Offering construction-only grants to expand on the state's efforts to create new licensed child care slots while adding space to enable work, health monitoring, and education supports.

- The Technical Assistance webinar is available for viewing at any time on the Children's Cabinet <u>YouTube channel</u>.
- The <u>Request For Proposal</u> is out, technical assistance is available, and applications on the Kansas CommonApp will close on this coming Monday, 12/18
- Learn more about the Capital Projects Fund (CPF) Accelerator on the All In For Kansas Kids <u>website</u>.

Funding Opportunity



KANSAS CAREER PATHWAY SURVEY

Help inform the work on the Kansas Early Childhood Career Pathway!

- Eligible current or past Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Professionals will receive \$100 for completing the survey
- Help us learn what factors drive individuals to enter, leave, or stay in the ECCE workforce and what the facilitators and barriers are to professional learning in this career
- Find the survey <u>here</u>!



Early Childhood Resources



HEAD START

Major Head Start Changes Proposed!

- On November 20th the Office of Head Start issued a <u>Notice of Proposed Rulemaking</u>, Supporting the Head Start Workforce and Consistent Quality Programming, with major proposed updates to the <u>Head Start Program Performance Standards</u>
- This proposal represents the most consequential changes to Head Start since the 2015 reauthorization
- For an overview of the process and summary of proposed changes, visit <u>Head Start</u> <u>NPRM</u>
- Public comment period closes on January 19th





KPATA MONTHLY TRAINING SERIES

Monthly training series for teachers and educators, ALL trainings are FREE and available to all current KPATA members!

- Register to become a member <u>here</u>!
- Each month will feature a different topic relevant to early childhood and family issues.
 - o January 18th Prioritize Play
 - o February 15th Intimate Partner Violence
 - o March 7th Screen Time
 - o April 18th Child Abuse & Neglect

Professional Development



TRAINING SCHEDULE

PARENT EDUCATORS AND COORDINATORS KPATA BRIGHT FUTURES 2023-24



EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCES

2nd Annual First 1,000 Days Kansas Summit

- January 29, 2024 in Topeka, KS
- <u>Register Here</u>

42nd Annual Kansas Division for Early Childhood Conference

- February 28-March 1, 2024 in Wichita, KS
- <u>Register Here</u>

Professional Development







REMINDERS AND NEXT STEPS

Early Childhood Recommendations Panel Meeting

Friday, January 19th – 9 am-11:30 am

Early Childhood Systems Building Webinar

Wednesday, January 10th – 12-1:00 pm

Children's Cabinet Meeting

Friday, February 2nd – 9 am-12 pm

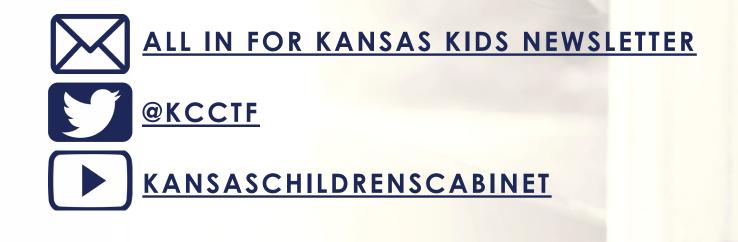
You can find **all** these meetings and more on our Children's Cabinet YouTube channel!







Stay Up to Date







Thanks!