



# Early Learning Program

Puget Sound Educational Service District

## Center Director Meeting Notes

Jan 22, 2015

EL website: [www.earlylearningwa.org](http://www.earlylearningwa.org)

## Welcome, Introductions - Talena

Welcomed group and gave intro about gathering with PLC groups for meetings.

## PLC Focus – School Readiness Goals - PPT

- Facilitators went over the purpose of PLCs
- Discussed, in their PLC groups, School Readiness Goals using the TS GOLD data that Directors brought with them

## ERSEA – 2015 Overview - PPT

- Most of ERSEA is science, recruitment is the art
- Paper applications are available for each center to take with them
- Anyone can *apply* to HS or ECEAP but not everyone is *eligible*
- You need to recruit to have a waitlist to be able to choose for enrollment and to stay fully enrolled throughout the year
- You need to be at full enrollment by first day of class and must maintain full enrollment throughout the year
- Attendance is directly connected to success for children
- Empty slots *must* be filled within 30 days or we will be out of compliance
- Families come to us to learn and we should provide that opportunity to all children/families so that they can be successful when they leave EL
- We do not expel children from our programs, we work with children/families to find solutions

Q: How long can a child stay enrolled with attendance issues

A: It's resolved on a case-by-case basis, work with your Family Support Coordinator

## Enrollment Capacity Survey - PPT

- About half of the centers have returned survey, thank you
- Survey is available on the [EL website](#)
- We need all centers to please respond by Monday, Feb 2
- Community Assessment data available in PPT shows that there are children to be enrolled to keep centers at full enrollment at all times.
- Full Community Assessment available on [EL website](#).



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- This information should be used in your recruitment strategy
- We are currently out of compliance in our EL programs regarding waiting lists and enrollment

Activity at tables regarding enrollment

### **Updates – PPT**

#### **Head Start 104 grant - Luba**

- Re-competition funding will be open for anyone in community to apply
- ESD will apply for these funds
- John Welch, ESD Superintendent, will organize a meeting in March with all of our providers to talk about how we are going to re-compete.
- Who is interested in be part of the ESD proposal.
- Sub-contractors could apply separately and not be a part of the PSESD proposal
- Current grant is fully funded thru June 2016 or could be prolonged until OHS makes their decision on grant award.
- HS 187 grant and EHS-CC partnership grants will not be part of this re-competition

Q: Who could apply?

A: School districts, other agencies or organizations

#### **ECEAP Expansion – Talena Dixon– PPT, handout**

- Interest surveys were passed out to see who would be interested in ECEAP expansion for 2015-16
- Asking centers to fill out and leave on tables today
- If you are not interested fill out first 3 questions and turn in

#### **Data Subcommittee – Nathalie Jones - PPT**

- Nathalie will send out announcement and put in Connector requesting people to participate in a subcommittee

#### **Curriculum Subcommittee - Merri McBride- PPT**

- Will meet after Center Directors meeting in February
- Contact Merri McBride [mmcbride@psed.org](mailto:mmcbride@psed.org) if you are interested to join committee



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## Family Support

- DSHS labels need non-disclosure forms signed by all staff who will be working with the labels (forms provided for each center)
- Please return to Denyse Guthrie at ESD **no later than Feb 20th**

## Info provided by Roxanne Lyons from Vashon Island:

- King County is doing their homeless count tonight for homeless encampments.
- Contact HUD or any large social service program in your area to find out where those families live

## SOAR Academy – presentation and handouts

## Advocacy Day – [Information on website](#)

- Brochures and posters were made available to centers to take and give out to their parents

## Learning Labs

- ECEAP Online Inventory System
- EHS-CC Partnership
- Center Director Online Learning
- ECEAP Expansion
- ChildPlus – Monitoring Suite/Reports

## Next Meeting:

Thursday, Feb 26, 2015

9am to 12pm

Cedar/Duwamish/Nisqually rooms