

**Lane Early Learning Alliance**  
**Early Learning Stakeholders Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 27, 2022**  
**3:00 - 5:00 pm**

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

- In attendance: Claire Hambly – UWLC; Jaycob Nolte – UWLC; Emily Reiter – UWLC; Krystal Sanchez – Migrant Ed; Kris Coomes – CASA of Lane County; Anne Marie Mauricio – University of Oregon, Prevention Science Institute; Ilana Jakubowski – First Place Kids; Gretta Sagolla – Eugene 4J SD; Zayra Longoria – DHS Self Sufficiency Program; Crystal Morrison – Pearl Buck Center; Sara Loveless – 90by30; Sarah Canales – SLSD; Samantha Duncan – Be your Best; Peggy Whalen – Family Relief Nursery; Sarai Barrera – Looking Glass; Kyle Riege – Family Relief Nursery; Kim Giansante – Early Childhood Cares; Leslie Finlay – Relief Nursery; Heather Gray – Parenting Now; Tracy Stafford, ; Ariana Matthews – Willamette Family Treatment; Rebecca Saxon – Eugene Public Library; Niyah - HONEY;

**2. Early Learning Alliance Updates**

- Governance Consortium Update
  - Dived into the second part of the Early Childhood Hub Strategic planning which revolved around the different projects the hub does and outlining the different funding streams
  - A color-coded document was given to show the projects which may not be as integral to the hub having
  - There was discussion around the projects and will have next meeting further digging into each project for the Hub's strategic planning
- Next Meeting for Stakeholders meeting will take place same time December 8<sup>th</sup> 2022
- Program Updates/Announcements:
  - Triple P
    - TPOL- free for all Lane Co Families!
    - Available in both English and Spanish
    - Fully Mobile optimized
    - Parents can use their code up to a year after they start
  - Black Early Learning Program
    - Having play groups and other community gathering events
    - If you have families that you think might benefit from this please reach out
    - <https://www.lanekids.org/black-early-learning/>
  - LaneKids
    - Getting ready to send out notice of funding for LaneKids Mini Grants
    - If you haven't applied for this funding in the past and want to please contact Emily or Claire
  - FRCs
    - Getting ready to send out awards
    - May invite newer FRC recipients to this meeting in the future

- **Preschool Promise**
  - The following locations have openings:
    - Neverland Nursery School and Prekindergarten (Springfield, Center Based)
    - Buena Vista Preschool Promise (Eugene, School District Setting)
    - First Place Kids Preschool Promise (Eugene, Center Based)
    - JumpStart Preschool (Springfield, Center Based)
    - Ellie's Preschool and Daycare (Creswell, Home-Based)
    - Silly Billies Child Care (Pleasant Hill, Home-Based)
    - Frolicking Ferns (Cottage Grove, Home-Based)
    - McKenzie Little Eagles Preschool (Vida, School District)
    - Pearl Buck Center Preschool (Eugene, Center Based)
  - Learn more about each location (hours/days, transportation, etc.) on the Preschool Promise Classroom Profiles page. Find out how to apply at <https://www.lanekids.org/preschool-promise>

### **3. Parenting Young Children Project**

- Anne Marie Mauricio, Ph.D., Associate Research Professor, Prevention Science Institute, University of Oregon
- Parenting young Children is an online version of the Family Check-up for children up to 5 years old
- The Family Check-Up curriculum is similar to Triple-P and is tailored with a strengths-based focus
- The curriculum is culturally responsive and looks at that the parent is the expert with an equal power balance between the coach and the parents
- Coaching sessions are available to families to help support the modules and create strengths and plans for parents going forward
- Families complete 4 interviews throughout the year to gauge change
- Parents receive up to \$475 over the course of the year for their completion of the process
- There is also a version for older children from 6-18 years old, for more information on this one please reach out to Anne Marie
- PowerPoint Presentation is attached for more information as well as Anne Marie's contact

### **4. RSA & ECSA Update**

- The ELD directed assessments addressing access to early care and education in our region to all early learning hubs across the state
- The main focus of these assessments for the first round is to address and identify the barriers to high quality affordable care in Lane County
- Within the Regional Systems Assessment, a smaller project was assigned, the ECSA which used to be called the Early Childhood Sector Plan
- The ESCA piece is trying to figure out within of our priority populations, who are being served and out of who is being served is there needs being met

- There will be a family survey that will be sent out next week and go through the end of November
- There will also be a series of focus groups to hear from families within our priority populations about not only what is existing but also what they see as the barriers in the systems for them
- QCC will provide data from providers and what their views about barriers and issues within the systems
- Additionally smaller focus groups with large employers will be held to see what they believe barriers are and what they do to support their employees
- All of those surveys and focus groups will then inform the report to develop a plan and be sent to the state so that they can see and try to get some policy changed
- If you would like to participate or collaborate on this project reach out to Claire

## 6. Agency Updates

- Eugene 4J School District
  - We have a position open and posted for a 6 hour EA for the Buena Vista Preschool Promise program. Bilingual Spanish preferred but not required. Position posted through the Eugene 4J School District website. Tell your networks! <https://www.schooljobs.com/careers/laneedu?keywords=preschool>
  - We have free accounts available for Conscious Discipline training videos- watch on your own time, on your own, or share with staff or watch with parent groups! Eugene School District is currently training staff and community partners, and we want to share this resource with our community!
  - Please contact me for more information or to access the video training series. I can't say enough positive remarks about this content! [sagolla\\_gr@4j.lane.edu](mailto:sagolla_gr@4j.lane.edu)
- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA of Lane County)
  - Currently have 40 mentors for their home visits to children in foster care and are looking for a child development expert to do a training for the mentors
    - Topics hoping to provide training on include: childhood benchmarks, appropriate expectations, and how to engage children
  - Email if you are interested or know connections: [kriscc@casa-lane.org](mailto:kriscc@casa-lane.org)
- Early Childhood Cares
  - Anyone can refer a child for a free child screening 0-5
- 90by30
  - Position communications manager: <https://careers.uoregon.edu/en-us/job/530220/communications-manager>
  - WANTED: tiny teachers to make a visit each month to 1st and 2nd grade classrooms this school year! If you have a 2-4 month old baby, you could be one of our Roots of Empathy families. This innovative program has been shown to reduce bullying and increase prosocial behavior in the children who participate. We're changing the world one child at a time. See [rootsofempathy.org](http://rootsofempathy.org) and email

saraL@90by30.com to learn more about what it means to be a Roots of Empathy family.

- Video on Roots of Empathy: <https://youtu.be/zrqt4dPGBXo>
- Eugene Public Library
  - Email: [rsaxon@eugene-or.gov](mailto:rsaxon@eugene-or.gov)
  - Now doing in person story times through November: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/calendar.aspx?CID=77>
  - Now doing some school age programming drop-in
  - Doing a lot of hiring in hopes of expanding programs
- Oregon Community Programs
  - Getting ready to start conscious discipline baby time
  - Toddler informed workshops builds on foundational skills on PCIP with coaching on reflecting and praise and verbalizations
  - Talking about managing parents emotions and emotional regulations
  - Might have another round in the spring
  - An upcoming Spanish group in Jan
  - Book group for foster parents
  - Also hiring therapists and PCIP therapist (that they would train)
    - Contact Tracy for more info on positions [tracys@oregoncnp.org](mailto:tracys@oregoncnp.org) , we are hiring for family and individual therapists and a PCIT therapist, job descriptions are on our website [www.oregoncommunityprograms.org](http://www.oregoncommunityprograms.org)
- Family Relief Nursery
  - Gearing up for holiday giving starting a series of parenting classes that started today
  - Hiring for multiple positions (home visiting positions and aide positions)
    - For more information you can reach out to [kylar@frncq.org](mailto:kylar@frncq.org)
- Migrant Ed
  - Just got done with mass enrollment and over half are already enrolled in preschool
- St Vincent de Paul/First Place Kids
  - Main location is now at 4060 W Amazon Dr
  - Changed service requirements to coincide with the definition of Homeless populations so families need to be actively unhoused in order to receive services
  - Trying to expand the old location into a preschool promise location
    - Trying to hire a teacher at that location please contact for places to post
  - While there are some programs for people who are currently not unhoused
  - Please let me know if you can think of any places to post job positions and/or if you know anyone who is interested in a Preschool Promise Lead Teacher or Teacher position! [ilana.jakubowski@svdp.us](mailto:ilana.jakubowski@svdp.us)
- Homes for Good is trying to have preschools in their new developments
- ODHS
  - ERDC program is migrating to the department of Learning and Care in July 2023
  - Some changes that may take place before the transition:

- Expand access to the program to High School and College students and people on medical leave (more info surrounding the expansion will be available by January)
  - Public Health emergency hasn't ended yet
    - Emergency allotment funding still approved through Nov
    - Pandemic EBT funds that were approved for school year of 21-22
      - Funds went out yesterday!
- Parenting Now
  - New Executive Director Theya Johnson
  - Hiring Bilingual-Bicultural Parent Educator
  - Lots of in-person events
    - Baby connection in-person and online
    - Make Parenting a Pleasure
- South Lane School District
  - Have morning and afternoon session play groups on Tuesdays and Thursdays
  - Have Make Parenting a Pleasure classes and Doula Support programs on Fridays in Spanish
- Looking Glass
  - Few therapists who are engaging in an 18 month long training on Child-Parent Psychotherapy for children 0-5
  - Recently hired 2 bilingual therapists
  - Continue to take on referrals to create a bigger access to families

**NEXT MEETING December 8<sup>th</sup> 2022**