

Rhode Island Early Learning Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Virtual Meeting

PUBLIC LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AYzFzQABTgGoMNy8ownLkQ

All Council Members will be sent a Panelist Link by Rhode Island KIDS COUNT

Agenda

Time	Agenda Item:	
9:00-9:05	Welcome, Opening Remarks, & Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current Context• Role of Early Learning Council	Courtney Hawkins, DHS Ana Riley (substituting for Angélica Infante-Green), RIDE Elizabeth Burke Bryant, Rhode Island KIDS COUNT
9:05 – 9:20	Birth to 8 State Policy Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• B-8 Highlights from Gov. McKee’s FY22 Budget• B-8 key proposed legislation	Kayla Rosen, Governor’s Office Leanne Barrett, Rhode Island KIDS COUNT
9:20 – 9:50	Presentation/Discussion: Learning, Equity, and Accelerated Pathways (LEAP) Task Force <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion: B-8 learning recovery strategies	Kelvin Roldán, RIDE Ana Riley, RIDE
9:50 – 10:20	Office of Child Care <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coronavirus Response & Relief Act Child Care Funding• Family Child Care Licensing Regulations• BrightStars Governance Framework	Caitlin Molina, DHS Katja Hamler, DHS Nicole Chiello/Sarah Nardolillo, DHS Lisa Hildebrand, RI Association for the Education of Young Children
10:20 – 10:30	Staffed Family Child Care Network	Dulari Tahbaldar, SEIU Education & Support Fund
10:30 – 10:45	Central Providence Opportunities Initiative	Jennifer Hawkins, One Neighborhood Builders
10:45 – 10:55	RI Pre-K Expansion Plan	Lisa Nugent/Zoe McGrath, RIDE
10:55 – 11:00	Announcements, Public Comment & Next Steps	Elizabeth Burke Bryant Courtney Hawkins

Future Early Learning Council Meetings:

- Wednesday, June 30, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, September 29, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, December 8, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

See www.earlylearningri.org for meeting schedules, handouts, notes, and state reports