



Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

LOCAL ECAC SUMMARY REPORT

January 2023

Carson/Douglas ECAC

- ECE Employment Fair will be held in July 2023
- Currently working with partners to discuss engagement of FFN providers in Carson and Douglas Counties.

Elko/Northeastern Nevada ECAC

- February 4, 2023 STEM training with Steven Spangler 5hr. PD teacher training (pre-K to 2nd grade)
- March 4, 2023 Eric Litwin Joy of reading 2 hr. PD teacher training (O-3rd grd.)
- April 2023 Kindergarten roundup...vendors from all preschools, ECSD, CADV, PACE, childrens cabinet, first responders, UNR Outreach, forest service, etc. any group that helps children are invited to set up a booth and pass out literature/info to families about their programs. We ask they have some activity to provide the kids that come to their table.

Southern Nevada ECAC

- No meetings in November or December 2022.
- The seventh annual Children's Week at the Nevada Legislature will take place March 13-16, 2023, at the NV Legislature in Carson City, NV.
 - Topics of focus have been assigned to each day (Monday = Education; Tuesday = Mental Health; Wednesday = Physical Wellness; and Thursday = Safety).
 - A new and updated logo was created (<https://nic.unlv.edu/childrensweek.html>).
 - 10 organizations currently signed up to participate.
 - 27 people have signed up to ride the bus to Carson City from Las Vegas.
 - Have reached out to identify sponsors and solicit donations (including hotel rooms).
 - Paid advertisements will begin in January.

Tribal ECAC

- The Tribal ECAC is preparing to host a Provider Networking Event for the Reno-Sparks/Carson areas, in addition to rural areas (i.e., Elko/Wells, Duckwater, Lovelock, etc). We are hoping to kick off this event at the end of the first quarter (March). The Tribal ECAC hopes to continue the events on a quarterly basis, and welcomes the attendance of other ECACs and/or partners, organization and resources at Networking events.
- The goal of the Provider Networking Events will be to increase participation, knowledge and awareness of information on the Tribal ECAC, and to connect and partner other organizations to bridge the gap between various program services. Additionally, the Tribal ECAC will be sending a poll to providers & organizations for time and location preferences. Please email Ashleigh at abaker@itcn.org for the poll.
- Lastly, The Tribal ECAC will be kicking off the Health and Wellness Program at the beginning of February! Information will be sent out to all providers & the application will be housed on the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Child Care Development Fund website (itcnccdf.org). Prior to receiving funds, providers will be required to fill out a pre-assessment based on their needs. The data received will be used to better understand what is needed in individual tribal communities for child care supports.
- If any other ECACs are aware of mental health organizations that provide services throughout rural areas in Nevada, please reach out to Ashleigh Baker, as we would like to build partnerships with these organizations to provide services that align with the Tribal ECACs goals to children, families, and providers.

Washoe ECAC

- October 16th-October 20th Nevada sent a State team to the National P-3 Institute. You may view our end of the week presentation [here](#).
 - Our team included:
 - State Superintendent of Public Instruction
 - State Deputy Superintendent for Student Achievement
 - Department of Education; Office of Early Learning and Development; State PreK
 - Chief Academic Officer, Clark County School District
 - Director, Northwest Regional Professional Development Program
 - University of Nevada, Reno- Professor & Department Chair; P-3 Leadership Academy State Facilitator
 - Learning Facilitator Coordinator, Washoe County School District; P-3 Leadership Academy Co-facilitator; DAP K Cohort Facilitator; Washoe ECAC Co-Chair
 - Early Learning Principal, Nye County School District
 - Washoe County School Board Trustee
 - Team Vision: We aim to center the successful trajectories of all children, especially those who are minoritized and marginalized, by creating and aligning an infrastructure to support the strongest educational foundation possible from birth through 3rd grade.
- Washoe County ECAC Event – September 30th
 - 25 private or public PreK and Kindergarten educators participated

- Teams created in the areas of: Social and Emotional; Family Access; Communications; and Developmentally Appropriate Practice (DAP)
- Each team will have up to \$2,000 to accomplish their team goal by May 2023
- We have four prek and kindergarten committees meeting regularly in the areas of DAP Classroom Environments, Social Emotions, Family Access, and Communication. Each team is working toward their shared goal and measurable outcome. The Social Emotional team is getting ready to purchase read aloud books to support the understanding and development of children in prek and kindergarten classrooms. The Family Access team is working on a specific community prek/k webpage to jumpstart kindergarten registration. The Communication Team is working on a kindergarten readiness tool to provide to Washoe County public and private schools.