



Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

LOCAL ECAC SUMMARY REPORT

January 2024

Carson/Douglas ECAC

- Meetings held December 12 and January 9, 2023. Future meetings will be held bi-monthly. Schedule posted on CD ECAC Website: [Meetings - Carson Douglas Early Childhood Advisory Council \(cdecac.com\)](https://www.cddecac.com/Meetings-Carson-Douglas-Early-Childhood-Advisory-Council)
- Workgroups are currently being established for 2024 Goals as outlined in the grant proposal and include:
 - Workgroup #1 - Nevada Child Care Development Program for Carson City (Organize an event to reach local Carson business leaders and elected officials in creating family friendly work-life balance policies for our local families)
 - Workgroup #2 - Touchpoint with Carson City School District (Includes organizing an interactive session for Pre-K – first grade Teachers during a teacher in-service day. The session will serve as “touchpoint” to see what current challenges teachers are facing with our district’s youngest learners)
 - Workgroup #3 – Supporting Carson High School’s ECE Career and Technical Education Program (Day of The Young Child event tabling and planning, etc.)
 - Workgroup #4 – Children's Museum (work with the Director of the museum to purchase DAP materials for young children and spread awareness of CD ECAC mission and vision)
 - Requests for Nevada Registry Approved Trainers to provide targeted professional development to Douglas and Carson EC Professionals.
- Executive Council Positions were open for all who were interested. Two Council participants expressed interest in Secretary and other positions. Final decisions will be shared by Jan. 15, 2023.

Elko/Northeastern Nevada ECAC

- 2024 Conference Prep:
 - We are working on securing Dr. John Medina as a guest speaker in conjunction with our NevAEYC Elko Conference.
- Annual Community Event for Families and EC Community:
 - We met with a robotics program through DRI and will be collaborating to plan a community event for teachers, students, and families.
- Transitions:
 - We are partnering with Head Start to participate in their Kindergarten transition event in April.

Southern Nevada ECAC

- Coordinate Bi-Monthly SNECAC Meetings
 - SNECAC held one strategic planning meeting in October. A facilitator guided group members through a planning process designed to re-engage members and determine our main purpose as a group. We had approximately 15 people participate. We are finalizing the plan at our meeting in January.
- Attend Statewide EACAC Meetings
 - We had a staff member attend the last ECAC meeting however it was canceled due to lack of quorum. A staff member did attend the last Data and Evaluation subcommittee in December.
- Step Up for Kids and Kid/Strong Start Mayor3) Step Up for Kids and Kid/Strong Start Mayor
 - The Step up for kids event occurred in October; a summary is attached. Planning for the next year will begin at the next SNECAC meeting in January. We are also working with the youth mayor on a list of activities through the year which will focus on nutrition. He has already attended an event in December and made the news. The news clip is below.
 - <https://www.fox5vegas.com/video/2023/12/23/north-las-vegas-annual-toy-giveaway/>
 - [Step Up For Kids Event Summary](#)
- Children's Week at the Legislature
 - In our strategic planning meeting we determined we want to host a local children's day at a city government. We will start planning that in January. We have also moved forward with our legislative briefing book to prepare for the next legislative session.

Washoe ECAC

- Learning Series
 - We are currently working on the three-part learning series in partnership with community providers, The Children's Cabinet, CFRC, and WCSD. The dates for these three events are tentatively scheduled for 3/9, 4/6, 5/4. We will be putting in a January or early February fund request for participant materials/incentives for these sessions. At the same time, we will be requesting funds for our facilitators and keynote speakers.
 - This Early Learning Series connect with:
 - Goal 2: Increase Coordination and Alignment Between Systems of Care for Young Children and Families and
 - Goal 3: Increase Capacity to Equitably Connect Families with the Early Childhood System Continuum of Care and Community at Large
- Video Library
 - We have not started the Elevating Educator Video Library Leader project or the P-3 Summer Retreat plans. The video project was in conjunction with RPDP and the Office of Early Learning based on pending grant funds. Start date TBD.