

CU Cradle2Career

Pathways to Success for Every Student



Goal Team Monthly Report Goal Team: Kindergarten Readiness

1. Any updates since the last report as copied below

Community Awareness:

- The team met on Wednesday, March 30th to continue to develop plans.
- The team continues to focus on “guerrilla marketing” possibilities to engage hard to reach families with young children.
- The original pilot idea of providing posters with key messages at partnering locations that include a tear off message “for a free gift” has been tabled. Obstacles of securing a free gift to provide have been encountered.
- The group is continuing to research “text a key word” services and opportunities.
- The group moved ahead with plans for the “diaper dialogue” initiative. They have put together a list of succinct information, key messages, reminders and hits for various diaper sizes/ages. Bev is working on label and printing donations. The final stage will be securing volunteers to sticker the bags of diapers with the diaper bank and CUPHD.
- The team is also engaging with UWCC & Community Coalition to execute a Walk as One in early September. This walk with focus on early SE development 7 K readiness. UWCC will coordinate books and items to fill toolkits. School Districts will identify neighborhoods and houses with young children.. UWCC and the CA team will support volunteers recruitment to conduct the walk. The team will develop the materials to be included and key messages. More details to follow in the coming weeks.
- Working on Feasibility Summary and Action Plan

Child Find:

- Child Find continues to work out details of promoting Baby Talk "Newborn Encounters" with Carle Hospital.
- Brochure is finalized and attached. Posters and video are being worked on.
- Met with Crisis Nursery on Child Find and their role in facilitating 0 - 1 year old workshops for READY! for Kindergarten. They are extremely interested in getting trained for Baby Talk and helping provide services as Baby Talk grows. Also willing to provide 0 - 1 and 1 - 2 year old parent facilitators for READY! for Kindergarten.
- Submitting Action Plan to Steering Committee in April

Quel:

- Continue to work on pilot READY! for Kindergarten with two sites - Champaign Early Childhood on Tuesday evenings and Booker T Washington STEM Academy on Saturday mornings. We have 25 families enrolled and attending.
- Continued work on Family KR Summer Camp.
- Submitting Action Plan to Steering Committee in April