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To: Shawn Petri, Superintendent

From: Katie Keith, Early Childhood Supervisor

Date: February 2025

Subject: Early Childhood Update

Happy New Year!

Great Start to Quality

We are starting the second quarter off on a great note. We are getting ready to submit the application for the Family Child Care Network (FCCN) by February 7th, 2025. If awarded, we will begin implementing the work in April. This will require an additional part-time person to replace some of our Licensed Exempt work in order for two of our Quality Improvement Coaches to begin the work of the Family Child Care Network Hub. One hub consists of 25 licensed home child care providers or Licensed Exempt Providers.

Since this round of the grant will only be a partial year, we only have until October 1st to complete the work. We decided to only invite the licensed providers for this round and there will most likely be a group located in Alpena and Gaylord. We are hearing that this grant should be available to apply for the next 4 years and possible 5 additional years beyond that. In the next rounds, we will extend the invitation to Licensed Exempt child care providers. This is great news for our home-based licensed child care providers.

This grant helps assist with business supports, quality of care, child care well-being, and connects them to resources and programs in the community. We are currently working with partners in the community (Mi Works, Local Health Departments, Family Engagement Center, SBA, and others) to provide a catalog of topics that they can choose to have presentations and trainings put on. This Hub will be led by the child care providers. They will be gaining experience to become leaders and bring will in turn, bring more professionalism to their programs.

[For more info on FCCN](#)

Great Start Collaborative & Great Start Parent Coalition

Our Iosco Family Coalition has been hard at working creating opportunities for families in their communities.

The IFC has started back up their Tot Time which is held weekly for families and is focused on school readiness activities, fine and gross motor skills and social emotional development. Tot Time runs from January through April and is facilitated by our Family Coalition.

The IFC also hosted a I enjoy an evening of bo share exactly what the attended the event.



Great Start FLOAT SAFE GRANT PROPOSAL

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FAMILY FIRST AID TRAINING



TRAINING INCLUDES:

- ✔ CPR (Hands Only)
- ✔ STOP THE BLEED
- ✔ Choking Relief
- ✔ Basic First Aid Education

MARCH 10, 2025

SESSION 1 3:00PM-4:15PM

SESSION 2 5:00PM-6:15PM

LOCATION:

**IOSCO RESA BUILDING
27 N REMPERT RD,
TAWAS CITY, MI 48763**

- Registration required
- Limited seats available
- Two Sessions to chose from
- Child Care and Snacks
- Door Prizes and Giveaways



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Register here:

<http://bit.ly/3WDkfXm>

The materials are funded through a grant provided by the Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential

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Iosco Family Coalition launched the Family First Aid Training to the community. It went viral with the homeschool families in both Iosco and Ogemaw Counties. Tammy was able to talk with the Homeschool Leaders, she will be working on two Kids First Aid Trainings to take place in Ogemaw and Iosco Counties. This is an amazing opportunity to support our hard to reach homeschool groups. Our partnership with MY MI will make these completely free events for the participants. see flyer above

Great Start received school use permission from Grayling High School to move forward with the 2025 Neighborhood Connect, 2024 Neighborhood Connect reached 236 families in Crawford County. see "Save the Date" above.

Presentations to Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Crawford County Yak Councils took place in January, to support the "Float Safe" water safety initiative. Presentation to Iosco Yak will take place in February. See grant proposal cover above

Gerrish Township committed to a Sea Tow Grant to fund a "Float Safe" loaner station at the

Gerrish Marina and Boat Launch. Tammy has a presentation for permission to install a second loaner station and little library at Gerrish Carlos Park site.

Great Start Readiness Program

Enrollment season for the 2025-26 school year is open! Families may now register for pre-k in our [COOR Pregnancy to Preschool database](#). As the enrollment season starts, we roll over all children 0-3 years old in the database into the upcoming year. By rolling the children over every year, families are reassured they only ever have to complete an intake once and they know COOR aims to offer the most relevant programs based on the age and needs of their child. Every year prior to enrollment season, we gather as a partnership committee consisting of all pre-k programs, early on, and Head Start to review and update our protocols, timelines and expectations. With the implementation of Pre-K for All, our partnership committee was able to move up the initial enrollment date and increase the frequency of when children are being enrolled. Families may apply via the database, programs make contact and set up application meetings and then are put on the enrollment priority list based on the Federal Poverty Level. Starting April 1, 2025, we will begin to enroll children every two weeks so we are continuously filling spots. Programs keep spots open over the summer for any late enrollees. We are hoping all programs are full before the start of school.