

Board Meeting Date: October 7, 2024

Title: FY25 Early Learning Center Update - Fostering Excellence in Early Learning

Type: Discussion

**Presenter(s):** Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education & Strategic Partnerships; Jody Remsing, Director of Student Support Services; and Kim Isley, Assistant Director of Early Learning

**Description:** The FY25 Early Learning Center (ELC) presentation showcases our commitment to exceptional early learning programming and services through three key areas:

- 1. **Leadership Excellence**: Introduction of our new Assistant Director of Early Learning, Kim Isley, who brings fresh vision and expertise to our team.
- 2. **Inclusive Philosophy**: Highlighting our core philosophy of belonging and inclusion, ensuring every child feels valued and supported.
- 3. **Innovation and Growth**: Unveiling new programs, welcoming spaces, and our dedicated teaching staff, all designed to enhance the learning experience.

The ELC offers a dynamic and integrated set of general and special education programs, including:

- Early Intervention Services
- Comprehensive Screening
- Specialized Early Childhood Special Education
- High-Quality PreKindergarten Programs
- Family-Centered Early Childhood Family Education
- Innovative Family Literacy Initiatives
- Engaging Enrichment Activities
- Extended Learning Opportunities
- Impactful Early Learning Corps

Our Assistant Director of Early Learning is spearheading collaborative efforts with families and staff, ensuring seamless transitions and support for all early learners. This approach reinforces our commitment to individualized care and education.

The ELC is dedicated to creating an environment where everyone—children, families, and staff—feels a deep sense of belonging. Our inclusive approach celebrates diversity and fosters a supportive community for each and every person.

By forging strong partnerships with our community, schools, and families, we are laying the foundation for successful learning journeys. Our goal is to empower every child with the skills, confidence, and love for learning that will propel them towards future academic success.

Through these exceptional programs and our dedicated approach, the Early Learning Center is setting new standards in early childhood education, ensuring every child has the best possible start in their educational journey.

**Recommendation:** N/A

**Desired Outcomes from the Board:** Please review the information and come prepared with your questions.

Attachments: FY25 Early Learning Update Slide Presentation