



Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: September 21, 2023

TOPIC: Early Childhood Alliance

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Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

Purpose/Background:

The Early Childhood Alliance (ECA) includes over 45 multi-sector partners, including eight Niles Township school districts, early childhood education and care providers, village libraries and governments, social service providers, local businesses, and health care providers.

According to their materials, the ECA creates programs to:

- Provide access to information to support a child's early learning
- Connect families with comprehensive early childhood programming
- Provide access to free/low-cost services for low-income children and families
- Support pregnant women
- Enhance children's physical, mental, and emotional well-being

Fiscal Impact:

The District decides at what level it would like to support the Early Childhood Alliance.

Recommendation:

The Administration is looking for guidance on next steps regarding the possibility of becoming a partner organization of the Early Childhood Alliance.