

Partnerships 4 Families Early Childhood Iowa Area for Audubon, Carroll, Greene and Guthrie Counties

## Early Childhood Iowa

An initiative to empower individuals and their communities to achieve desired results to improve the quality of life for children ages birth-5 years of age and their families.



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and Guthrie Counties

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## P4F Needs Male Board Members

Due to job change and graduation from the P4F Board we are in need of at least two new male board members. Do you know someone who is a dad, grandfather, uncle, or an early childhood advocate, and has the flexibility to attend a Friday morning meeting? Please reach out to that person you are thinking about and ask if they would consider representing the children from their area. At this time, it could be from any of our counties.

P4F Board meets on the third Friday of the month at 10:30 in Carroll currently. We meet 8-10 times a year. This board is a great opportunity for someone who may be considering a run for school board but wants to get their feet wet on a smaller scale in working with state funding and children issues.

Let us know who you have in mind and we will reach out to them after you have made an introduction for us.

Thank you,

P4F Board

## Iowa Early Learning Standards 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition

The Iowa Early Learning Standards are updated and ready for you to use in your preschool, child care or home visitation program. If you would like a copy of the standards for your personal use P4F will provide you with one after completion of the online training.

<https://moodle.extension.iastate.edu/course/index.php?categoryid=13>

Once you have completed the training simply email us at [p4fchildren@gmail.com](mailto:p4fchildren@gmail.com) and we will deliver a copy to you.

Our goal is to get a copy into the hands of all child care centers, preschools, child care homes and with home visitors.

Your copy is waiting!!



Digital copies are available at:  
<http://www.iowaaec.org/iowa-early-learning-standards.cfm>

## Community Human Resource Coalitions

Community coalition meetings are intentional meetings of human service providers and community members gathering to network for the benefit of the people they serve. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**Audubon County** meets at 11:30 AM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month in January, April, June & October at the ISU Extension meeting room in Audubon. Their next meeting is: **Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30.**

**Carroll County** meets at noon on the third Wednesday of the month at ISU Extensions Meeting Room in Carroll. Their next meeting is: **Wednesday at Noon on August 21<sup>st</sup> NO JULY MEETING**

**Greene County** meets on the first Tuesday of the month at noon at ISU Extension in Jefferson. They do take July & August off. Their next meeting is: **Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup> at Noon** No July or August Meetings

**Guthrie County** meets at noon four times a year in March, June, September and December on the second Thursday of the month at the ISU Extension meeting room in Guthrie Center. Their next meeting is: **Thursday September 12<sup>th</sup> at noon.**

The successes of the meetings are driven by the people attending and the connections that are developed.



*"Every child beginning at birth will be healthy and successful."*

## P4F Early Childhood Task Force

P4F will combine the Early Childhood Task Force meeting this fall into one large meeting. The intent is to bring together all early childhood providers and advocates to set our priorities for the next three to five years. We will take the information from our discussions last year regarding what we can control and what we can't control as early childhood providers. Look at the needs regarding

what we do control and set our priorities according to those needs.

An announcement regarding a date for the meeting will be released soon. The location of the meeting will most likely be at the new Audubon Rec Center.

As part of the home work for the meeting

you are encouraged to read about early childhood system building on the BUILD website. We will take pieces from BUILD to work toward our priorities and ultimately our strategic plan that is part of our Early Childhood Community Plan.

<http://www.buildinitiative.org/Resources/CommunitySystemsDevelopmentToolkit.aspx>

## P4F Board Update

The P4F Board meet on June 21, 2019 to conclude their allocation process and elect officers. A thank you was said to Chad Wittrock for his 6 years of service to the board. Approved minutes and agendas can be found on the P4F Website.

All meetings are open to the public. Board minutes can be found on the P4F Website.

The next P4F Board meeting is scheduled for:

July 19, 2019  
At 10:30 AM

in Carroll at New Opportunities

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## Person in the Spot Light-Librarians

A big shout out to all the librarians in our area that are in the midst of a Summer Reading Program. WOW the effort that some of these ladies put in to promote reading, books and fun programs. Here at P4F we appreciate that they include the non-readers in the programs.

If you have children participating at your library, consider having your children send a card showing their appreciation to the librarians.



Iowa's Community Action Network is conducting a study of the needs individuals and families may be experiencing in their lives. Information for the study will be collected by surveying our clients. The results will be considered by New Opportunities for planning, developing, and delivering agency programs and services to the people that reside in our neighborhoods and communities.

The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete; there are 50+ multiple choice type questions and a few questions that are open-ended (questions you can write a response). All replies are anonymous and will be treated confidentially.

To complete the survey, stop by the local Family Development Center for a hardcopy or use the

following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FKQVSDB>