

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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20th Birthday Kick off Celebrations

P4F will be kicking off our 20th Birthday with mini celebrations in each county the first week of February. At that time persons can stop by and pick up your t-shirt. We are asking that if you get a t-shirt you and person in your agency will wear the t-shirt on 6 pre-selected days that focus on early childhood. The days we have selected are:

Valentine's Day February 14th
National Read Across America Day March 1
Prevent Child Abuse Month April 1
Week of the Young Child Wed April 10
Provider Appreciation Day May 10
P4F's Birthday July 1

Following are the dates and locations of our mini celebrations and t-shirt distribution times.

Carroll Monday Feb 4th 4-6 Location TBD

Greene Tuesday Feb 5th 4-6 ISU Extension

Guthrie Wed Feb 6th 4-6 Guthrie Co Health Services

Audubon Thursday Feb 7th ISU Extension
Audubon

Watch for more details next month.

Needs Assessments

Has your agency gone through a needs assessment recently? Are you aware of needs assessments in your community? If so, please let Cindy or a P4F Board member know about them. P4F is in the process of assessing the needs in our area for children 0-5 and their families. This is something we

do every 3-5 years when we update our Early Childhood Community Plan. Our Early Childhood Task Force meeting this fall kicked off our efforts in first determine what we as early childhood providers can control in the work we do. Join us in March to move that discussion forward.

We will also be looking at the demographics of our area to see if there has been any change.



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

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 2nd Wednesday of the month in January, April, June & October at the ISU Extension meeting room in Audubon. Their next meeting is: **Wednesday January 9th 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 January 16th at Noon.**

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 January 8th at Noon.** No July or August Meetings A week later due to the holiday.

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 March 14th at noon.**

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

P4F Early Childhood Task Force

P4F invites early childhood service providers and advocates to our Early Childhood Task Force meetings this October. Be sure to invite anyone in your agency to attend.

Audubon
Monday March 18th
4:00 PM
ISU Extension Audubon

Carroll
Date May Change from the previously scheduled March 20th-TBD later.
Family Resource Center

Greene
Wed March 27th 1:00 PM
ISU Extension Jefferson

Guthrie
Tues March 26th 4:00 PM
ISU Extension Guthrie Center

We will gather for updates on programs and continue our discussion regarding the Circle of Control.

P4F Board Update

The P4F Board did not meet in December. We look forward to meeting again in January.

The next P4F Board meeting is scheduled for:

January 18, 2019

At 10:30 AM or 1:00 PM

in Carroll at New Opportunities

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

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Persons in the Spot Lite- Jeff A

Jeff Anderson has had a role in serving children and families for over 30 years.

Most recently Jeff has been serving in the "second chair" position at the Early Childhood Iowa office.

Jeff has been instrumental in moving the Early Childhood Iowa system forward by writing national grants that have supported the work of the ECI System in Iowa.

He also worked with the local ECI areas in development of their local systems and supported local boards. He recently attended a P4F Board and conducted our Mid Cycle Review.

Jeff is retiring in January. We wish him well and thank him for his commitment to young children in Iowa.

Early Childhood Day on the Hill

Event Date:

Thursday, January 17, 2019 - 10:00am to 2:00pm

Watch for more information this coming week.

We're on the Web!

See us at:
www.partnerships4families.org