

Great Start Collaborative of Jackson County
Family Support
March 14, 2019
1:00-2:00pm
Health Department Room 205



Present: Brittany Wright, Kristy Wood, Elyia Lamb, Alice Walker, Kristin Klug, Resha Willis, Jennifer Gazel, Kelly Sheppard, Chrissy Blackwell, and Kelly Friedland

Welcome and Introductions

- Group completed introductions and shared what they are looking forward to in the spring.

Review February Minutes

- CDC milestone tracker was shared on the Great Start website and Facebook.
- Families can now call CAA directly for tax appointments.

Great Start Families

- Great Start Community Fair is tomorrow combined with the GSRP and Head Start recruitment fair.
- Book Drive going on through March.

Parent Education Messages

- Chrissy will try to get approval from ASQ on the changes we made to their poster.
- If it is not approved, Chrissy will work with the graphic designer at the ISD to create a new poster.
- Group reviewed the poster for any changes.
- Chrissy provided an example of what the development cards.
- The message of preschool focusing on academics does not match up with the importance of play.
- New sentence for play: Play develops many skills and behaviors that are necessary for children to be successful in school. Today's play in early childhood is the best foundation for success in kindergarten.
- Group did not the flyer needed to be edited for content but suggested the color be changed from gray.

- Suggestion to add a QR code.
- Suggestions to share the kindergarten standards online, including them in the kindergarten readiness kits, pediatrician offices, and radio ads.
- “Children are expecting to begin kindergarten already having social skills such as...”

Member Sharing

- Kristy Wood: Shared her and mother’s kindergarten report card