

Great Start Collaborative of Jackson County
School Readiness Committee Meeting
Jun 21, 2016
4:00-5:00pm
Family Service and Children's Aid



Present: Kelly Sheppard, Kelly Friedland, Irene LeCrone, Bob Powell, Jackie Barber, Chrissy Blackwell, Andrea McCabe, Kathy Hoszkiw, Angela Mentink, Renee Marks, and Don Tassie

Welcome & Introductions

- Group completed welcome and introductions

Preschool Data

- Once a year the School Readiness committee is required to review GSRP data. Head Start and GSRP blended classrooms are included.
- Next week we are meeting to discuss our countywide professional development plan.
- White chart encompasses 9 programs that use Creative Curriculum.
- Early Childhood Specialists are planning to review the social emotional scores. Observation and feedback there were some challenges and the data does not show the challenges.
- There were some programs that left gaps in child data.
- Questioned if class size makes a difference. Some are 7 and some are 18.
- ECSs were sitting down with preschool teams and administration to go over classroom trends.
- Highscope curriculum measures the growth in the child not where they should be developmentally.
- Jean will be looking at aligning Creative and Highscope curriculums.
- There are discrepancies between the preschool curriculum and the research that has shown there needs to be a balance of instruction and child lead.
- Would like to see training on the reports and what the reports mean.
- Social emotional issues, data input, reports, helping teachers to look continuously to track child practices, bringing Highscope and Creative curriculum training to the county.

- Could the social emotional scores be compared to see who has had training in that area?
- Educator's Summit in August will focus on trauma.
- Tentative GSRP slot allocation is the same as last year 1,135.
- Loosened the legislation on out of ISD service area. ISDs do not have to share money.

Member Sharing

- IL fundraiser information will be emailed out.