



Early Childhood Iowa Monday Musings September 14, 2015 2015 Vol. 2, No. 33

Welcome to the ECI **Monday Musings**. It is a compilation of information, practical advice, training announcements, and/or success stories. **Monday Musings** is intended to disseminate information to Early Childhood Iowa Stakeholders in a timely fashion. (We may on occasion send out a separate email with information if it needs immediate attention or if for a specific audience.)

Please let us know if you have something you would like to contribute or have suggestions or comments at jeffrey.anderson@iowa.gov

Back Issues of Monday Musing are available [here](#).

“Children are educated by what the grown-up is and not by his talk.”

-Carl G. Jung

State Information:

NEW: Early Childhood Iowa Releases Spanish Edition of the Iowa Early Learning Standards

Through a contract from the Early Childhood Iowa Office, Iowa AEYC worked with language specialists to translate the Iowa Early Learning Standards (IELS) into Spanish. There are no plans to print the standards at this time, but feel free to print all or parts of the standards as you like. The Spanish IELS are available on the ECI webpage at: [IELS Spanish Edition](#)

Federal Information:

Let’s Move! Child Care Celebrates 4th Anniversary—Complete an Action Plan Today!

The Packard Foundation is partnering with Let’s Move! Child Care (LMCC) to award toolkits to support early care and education (ECE) providers in meeting LMCC’s goals. These toolkits include supplies and materials to directly support an ECE center’s or a home’s Let’s Move! Child Care Action Plan. The toolkits, provided by Kaplan, are valued at more than \$100 per kit and will be a great help in achieving steps on the winning ECE providers’ Action Plans.

Eligibility

Centers and homes that [develop an LMCC Action Plan](#) on line *between August 17 and September 18* will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win the toolkits. Ten programs will be randomly selected as winners. (*Note: There can only be one winner chosen per center or home, so program directors, staff members, and leaders should complete their Action Plan together as a team.*) The winners will receive toolkits (appropriate for the number of children they serve) with resources based on the top priority goal area from their Action Plan and will be contacted in the future to see how the materials have helped make positive changes in their center or home.

Note: ECE providers who developed an Action Plan on the LMCC Web site prior to August 17, 2015, will need to reenter the action plan information on the LMCC Web site between August 17 and September 18 to be entered into the drawing.

Develop an Action Plan by September 18 for a chance to win!

Reminder: Public Comment Period Ends September 17 for Proposed Head Start Program Performance Standards

[Increased Head Start Quality through Revision of the Head Start Program Performance Standards](#)

Last month, the Office of Head Start announced an extension for the public to comment on the proposed Head Start Performance Standards from August 18, 2015 to September 17, 2015. By extending the comment period into September when children are in Head Start programs, we hope to encourage more feedback from parents and others in the Head Start community. Our goal is to obtain input from as many sectors as possible. Because parents play such a vital role in Head Start, we wanted to ensure they have time and opportunity to provide comments.

After reading the NPRM, please submit your official comments through [Regulations.gov](#). Only comments that are submitted through the FederalRegister.gov or Regulations.gov sites, or the identified alternative methods, will be officially considered before the publication of the Final Rule.

This NPRM will now be open for comment until Thursday, September 17, 2015.

Select the link to submit a comment:

http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D=ACF_FRDOC_0001-0057

Select the link to view the full NPRM: <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/06/19/2015-14379/head-start-performance-standards>

Other Information:

Paper Tigers Pre-View

You are invited to attend a screening of a new documentary developed by James Redford. The documentary examines the impact of trauma on children, and how one school changed its system to respond appropriately. The screening will be held at the Fleur Cinema in Des Moines on Tuesday, October 20th at 1:00 p.m. and again at 6:00 p.m. It is completely free to attend. (See next page for more information.)

The trailer can be found here: <http://www.papertigersmovie.com/>

Please join us for a screening of
Director James Redford's new documentary

PAPER TIGERS

Tuesday,
OCTOBER 20
1-4 p.m. & 6-9 p.m.

The Fleur Cinema
4545 Fleur Drive, Des Moines

Paper Tigers looks at the effects of trauma on the youth of Walla Walla, Washington, and how one community transformed its culture to respond. Lincoln High School is a successful example of how an entire system can change to better respond to childhood trauma. After four years, suspensions dropped 90 percent, expulsions dropped to zero and graduation rates increased five times.



View a preview here: PAPERTIGERSMOVIE.COM

Register for the 1 p.m. screening and learn more at
WWW.CONNECTIONSMATTER.ORG/PAPER-TIGERS

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Each two-hour screening will be followed by discussion and a call to action. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments available for purchase at the 6 p.m. screening only.

To register for the 1 p.m. screening and learn more: [Paper-Tiger Preview](#)

You're Invited: Fathers Make a Difference Conference

Fathers Make a Difference

A Conference about How and Why Fatherhood Programs Work

What: A half-day conference for public and private sector professionals who manage, provide, or care about services for fathers. A keynote and three panel discussions will be heard covering **Income Opportunities**, **Legal System Access**, and **Fatherhood Education**.



Keynote: To be presented by Joseph T. Jones, Jr., Founder and CEO Center for Urban Families and National Fatherhood Leader, Baltimore, MD.

When: Wednesday, October 7, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Where: Wellmark YMCA, 501 Grand Ave. Des Moines, IA 50309

Price: \$25, includes lunch (**Registration ends Sept. 21**)

Presented by: YMCA of Greater Des Moines, Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families, and Polk County Fathers and Families Coalition

For More Information and to Register:

[Fathers Make a Difference](#)

New Free Resource Guide Supports Professionals Who Work With Infants and Toddlers

The August edition of "Baby Talk" is available online... [more](#)

Baby Talk is a free, one-way listserv that is distributed monthly. Each issue features resources that are high quality, readily available and free. To join the listserv, send an email **with no message** to subscribe-babytalk@listserv.unc.edu To suggest resources, please contact Camille Catlett at camille.catlett@unc.edu or (919) 966-6635.



Save the Date - Monday, November 09, 2015 - Tuesday, November 10, 2015

Scheman Building
Lincoln Way & University Blvd
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ABOUT THE IOWA NONPROFIT SUMMIT

This biennial conference offers essential learning opportunities for Iowa nonprofit and volunteer management professionals and features outstanding keynote presentations, dozens of break-out sessions, networking opportunities, and exhibitors demonstrating the latest resources available to help nonprofits and volunteer programs excel.

For more information go [here](#).

For more information about Early Childhood Iowa, visit our website:

<http://www.earlychildhoodiowa.org/>

To join the ECI Stakeholders, please complete the commitment survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FSXR5F2>

2015 ECI Meeting Calendar:

ECI State Board

10:00 – 1:00

November 6 (Des Moines)

ECI Stakeholders Alliance

3 – 4 Hour meetings

September 15 (AM)

December 8 (PM)

ECI Area Directors

September 16

December 9

ECI State Dept. Directors

8:30 – 10:30 AM

October 2

ECI Steering Committee

October 1 (9:00 AM – Noon)

November 5 (9:00 AM – Noon)