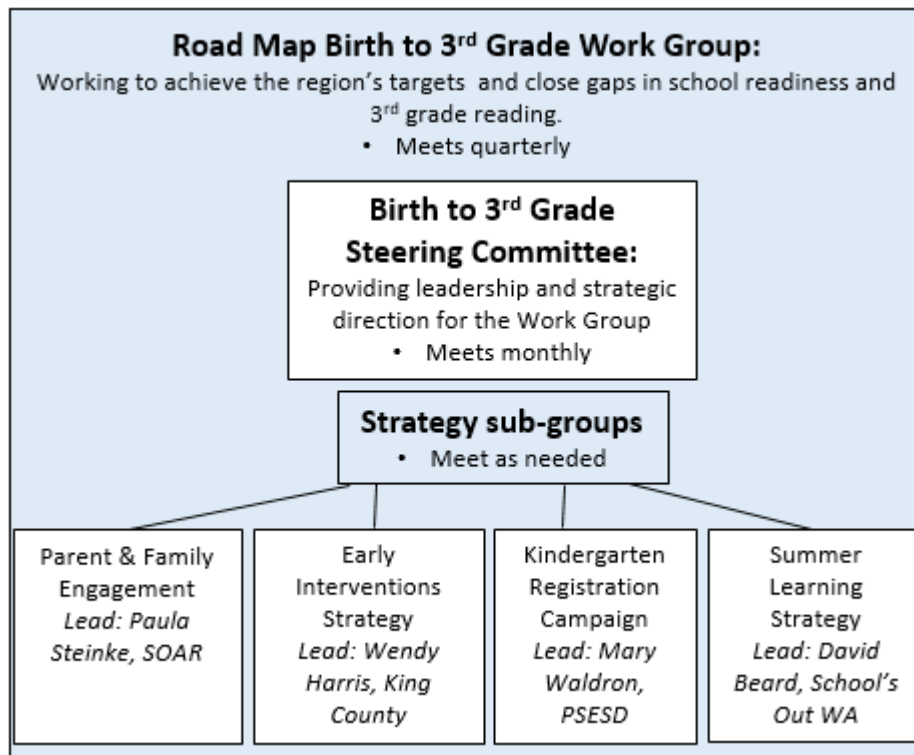


Road Map Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group – Inviting Parent Participation

The Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group is made up of people from local nonprofits, school districts, government, and community members. We are committed to ensuring that every child in the Road Map region is ready for kindergarten and is meeting reading standards at 3rd grade. We seek to close the opportunity gap and eliminate inequities for children that are experiencing barriers to those goals. We agree that identifying shared priorities and working together can benefit our region and strengthen our individual and organizational work. The Work Group seeks to increase parent voice and power within the Road Map Region in early learning and early elementary school systems.

We are currently seeking parents of young children to provide leadership within our group.



2016 Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group Meetings, meetings are held in either Renton or Tukwila:

- May 4th 1:30-4pm, networking time 4-5pm
- August 10th 1:30-4pm, networking time 4-5pm
- November 2nd 1:30-4pm, networking time 4-5pm

The Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group is focused on implementing the four priority strategies and supporting other opportunities that will support the region's children and families. The implementation of the priority strategies are being led by different members of the Work Group and meet as needed. In addition to attending quarterly meetings and staying up to date with work group email communication, work group members are invited and encouraged to participate in the strategy sub-groups.

Currently, the Work Group is staffed by CCER (Community Center for Education Results). Staff provide administrative support and coordinate meetings and agendas.

Road Map Birth to 3rd Grade Steering Committee:

The Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group is seeking at least three parents to join the Steering Committee. We are inviting parents who live in the Road Map region (South Seattle/South King County), have children in 3rd grade or younger and who do not work in the early learning or education field to serve as leaders on the Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group Steering Committee and be active participant leaders in the full Work Group.

Steering Committee Member Responsibilities:

- Serve as Steering Committee member of the Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group for a minimum term of one year (renewable)
- Attend monthly Steering Committee meetings
- Help plan and attend quarterly Work Group meetings
- Share parent experiences with current early learning and early elementary school systems and supports to help identify barriers and opportunities for improvement
- Partner with another Steering Committee member. In case of absence or if there is an area of work that is less familiar, Steering Committee members are accountable for giving/getting updates and making sure you and your buddy have the information you need to be an active and informed Steering Committee member
- Consider serving on a strategy sub-group
- Help advise and implement Work Group outreach planning
- Assist group in thinking about future prioritization processes for moving work forward

Benefits

- Opportunity to inform, strengthen, and guide regional education work from Birth to 3rd Grade
- Connection to local nonprofit, governmental, and school district/ESD leaders
- For steering committee members who are serving in parent positions and are not attending as part of their current job, and therefore are not paid to prep for and attend meetings, the Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group will provide stipends for child care and mileage to support participation. Parents that prioritize participation in the Steering Committee and full Work Group meetings will be compensated at a rate of \$49 a month. Stipends are processed twice a year.

Process:

If you are interested in joining the Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group, please contact Lynda at 206-838-6619 or lpetersen@ccedresults.org.

If you are interested in joining the Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group and serving in a leadership role on the Steering Committee, please complete the Steering Committee Questionnaire and send to Lynda at lpetersen@ccedresults.org or 1200 12th Ave. S. Ste. 701 Seattle, WA 98144.

Currently there are three open parent positions on the Steering Committee. All parents who are interested in joining the group and submitted a questionnaire are invited to attend an upcoming meeting on April 21st from 2:30-4pm. Following that meeting, there will be a short discussion to answer any remaining questions and discuss full membership.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynda at 206-838-6619 or lpetersen@ccedresults.org.

Road Map Birth to 3rd Grade Steering Committee Questionnaire

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number(s): _____

Email address: _____

- If you are interested in joining the group as a parent representative, please tell us the age of your children and what early learning program(s) or school(s) they are in.

 - If you are interested in joining the group because it is aligned with your current job, please tell us where you work and what you do.
1. Why are you interested in being a Steering Committee member of the Birth to 3rd Grade Work Group?

 2. Are you able to make the time commitment to serving on the Steering Committee and the larger Work Group? Steering Committee members are also strongly encouraged to join one or more strategy sub-groups.

 3. For planning purposes, are you able to send and receive updates by email? Are you able to participate in meetings by phone?

 4. Please share any of your personal, cultural or linguistic attributes that you can bring to this work.

 5. Please share anything else that you would like with the group.