



LEADERSHIP AND IMPACT COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Monday, May 8, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting – In-Person and by Videoconference

The meeting of the San Mateo County Child Care Partnership Council Leadership and Impact Committee will be held at the San Mateo County Office of Education, 101 Twin Dolphin Dr., Redwood City, CA 94065.

Location: San Mateo County Office of Education (101 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood City, CA 94065)

Room: Corte Madera (1st Floor)

Members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting remotely via the Zoom platform or in-person. For remote participation:

Website Link:

<https://smcoe.zoom.us/j/95432052210?pwd=RitsSjRYRERma2MwMVA3eVlkZCtWQT09>

Meeting ID: 954 3205 2210

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Call to Order	Michelle Blakely
Approval of May 8, 2023 Leadership and Impact Committee Meeting Agenda And Meeting Minutes for April 5, 2023 <i>ATTACHMENT 1</i>	Michelle Blakely <i>ACTION ITEM</i>
Item #1: Welcome & Check-in	Michelle Blakely
Item #2: Review Proposed Legislation <u>2023 Legislation Tracker</u>	Sarah Kinahan
Item #3: Discuss how to align Committee priorities in Strategic Plan with priorities identified in CCPC retreat (ballot initiative, communications strategy, increase in providers)	Michelle Blakely
Item #4: Information and Discussion – Wonderschool and Shared Services	Sarah Kinahan
Item #5: Calendar future meeting dates for the Committee	Sarah Kinahan
Adjournment	Michelle Blakely

*The next Leadership and Impact Committee meeting is
TBD*

**San Mateo County Child Care Partnership Council
Leadership and Impact Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

Hybrid Meeting via Zoom and in-person at 101 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood City, CA, 94065

CCPC Members Present (in-person): Karen Alden, Michelle Blakely (chair), Christine Thorsteinson

Members of the Public Present (in-person): Diana Harlick, Marchelle Moten

Members of the Public Present (Via Zoom): Kristen Anderson, Randy Torrijos

Staff/Minutes: Sarah Kinahan

1. Call to Order

Michelle Blakely

Michelle Blakely called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

2. Approval of Leadership-Impact Committee Meeting Minutes from January 23, 2023, and Agenda for April 5, 2023

Michelle Blakely

MOTION: THORSTEINSON / SECOND: ALDEN

AYES: UNANIMOUS

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

3. Welcome & Check-in

Michelle Blakely

Michelle Blakely welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked people to please introduce themselves.

4. Review Proposed Legislation

Sarah Kinahan

Sarah led the group in a review of ten bills that have been introduced in the legislature. These bills primarily relate to rate reform and local planning council capacity building.

- AB 51 (Bonta), Early childcare and education. Recommended “watch” and get more information on how it will ensure developmentally appropriate programming.
- AB 555 (Carrillo), California state preschool programs. Recommended “watch.” Concern that it does not incentivize preschool programs to address chronic absenteeism.
- AB 596 (Reyes & Limon), Early learning and care: rate reform. Recommend “support.”
- AB 1106 (Soria), PK-3 early childhood specialist credential: grant program. Recommend “support.”
- AB 1113 (McCarty), ELOP. Recommend “support.”
- AB 1352 (Bonta), Childcare pilot expansion. Recommend “support.”
- SB 380 (Limon & Reyes), Early learning and care: rate reform. Recommend “support.”
- SB 608 (Becker), License plate program. Recommend “support.”
- SB 635 (Menijar), ASQ screening. Recommend “watch.” Concern about it being an unfunded mandate that will put a drain on staff time and cause programs to incur fees for using the ASQ.
- SB 722 (Ochoa Bogh), ELC Incidental Medical Services. Recommend “watch.” Would like to know what problem this bill aims to solve.

After reviewing the bills and updating the [legislative tracker](#), the group expressed a desire to hold a study session on contract earnings and develop a strategy to encourage programs to enroll to their full capacity and assure child attendance. The state’s “hold harmless” policy, while valuable to sustain programs through the pandemic, has not incentivized programs to fully enroll. Sarah will look for the Legislative Analyst’s Office’s analysis of “hold harmless.”

5. Debrief CCPC Retreat and Discuss Next Steps on Top Priorities

Sarah Kinahan

At its March retreat, the CCPC identified the following top priorities which the group discussed:

- 1) County ballot measure to fund gaps in early learning and child care
 - This will require developing a strategy with community leaders.
- 2) Advocacy and outreach to gain community support/awareness for a well-funded ECE system with universal access for all children, families and providers, provided by a well-compensated workforce
 - Look at Santa Clara County’s Build the Future campaign. Could this be carried over to San Mateo County? First 5 may be able to support.
 - Business organizations such as rotaries and chambers could be able to help. Make the case about lost productivity due to child care issues.
- 3) Increase the number of providers by X%
 - We need to work on the wording for this priority.
 - Priority is on developing infant-toddler staff.
 - New Career Pathways lead will be instrumental to this priority area.

The group asked that Sarah share the draft minutes with the Leadership and Impact Committee.

6. Discuss Emerging “Hot Topics”

Michelle Blakely

There was a request that we review information on the new CalKIDS college savings program at a future meeting.

9. Adjournment

Michelle Blakely

Michelle Blakely adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

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May 8, 2023*



The first step toward college



Fast Facts

Program Summary

CalKIDS is a children's savings account (CSA) program administered by the ScholarShare Investment Board, an agency of the State of California that is chaired by the State Treasurer. CalKIDS will provide each child born in California and eligible low-income public school students with up to \$1,500 in a CalKIDS account to help jumpstart their savings for higher education and career training!

Eligibility

There are two eligible groups for this program with unique benefits.

Newborns

- All children born in California on or after July 1, 2022.

\$25

Eligible newborns will have a CalKIDS account created in their name with an automatic **initial deposit of \$25**.

Plus \$25

Parents that register on the CalKIDS online parent portal— at **CalKIDS.org**—to view their baby's account will receive an **additional one-time \$25 contribution**.

Plus \$50

Parents that visit **ScholarShare529.com** to open a ScholarShare 529 college savings account—in which anyone can contribute to their child's college savings—and link it to your CalKIDS account **will receive an additional one-time \$50 contribution**.

That's up to \$100 in free money for college for newborns!

School-Aged Students

- Beginning in the 2021-2022 academic year, all eligible low-income 1st through 12th grade students identified by the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) enrolled on Fall Academic Census Day 2021 (October 6, 2021) in a California public school will have a CalKIDS account created in their name with an initial seed deposit, as well as the potential for additional financial incentives.
- Starting fall 2022 and each year following, all eligible low-income public school 1st grade students enrolled on Fall Academic Census Day (first Wednesday in October) will be identified by LCFF to receive funding from CalKIDS.
- Eligible students will be automatically enrolled in the program the following spring or early summer.

\$500

Every eligible low-income public school student in grades 1-12 will have a CalKIDS account created in their name with an initial **deposit of \$500**.

Plus \$500

Eligible students identified as **foster youth** will receive an **additional one-time \$500 deposit**.

Plus \$500

Eligible students identified as **homeless** will receive an **additional one-time \$500 deposit**.

That's up to \$1,500 in free money for college for school-aged students!*

Account Registration

Enrollment is automatic for eligible newborns and school-age students. However, parents or students will need to register online to access funds in their CalKIDS account. To register, the following is needed:

Newborns

- Child's county of birth
- Child's date of birth
- Local Registration Number found on birth certificate, OR CalKIDS code found on notification letter mailed to parent's home

School-Aged Students

- County of student's school as of Fall Academic Census Day (October 6, 2021)
- Student's date of birth
- Statewide Student Identifier, which can be obtained by contacting the child's school, OR CalKIDS code found on notification letter mailed to student's home

ScholarShare 529

- Parents can link their CalKIDS account to a new or existing ScholarShare 529 account to make contributions of their own and view all account balances in one place.
- ScholarShare 529 serves as California's official college savings plan. Administered by the ScholarShare Investment Board, ScholarShare 529 provides families with a valuable college savings tool, offering a diverse set of investment options, tax-deferred growth, and withdrawals free from state and federal taxes when used for qualified higher education expenses.

Withdrawals

- Withdrawals can be managed at CalKIDS.org.
- CalKIDS funds are sent directly to the student's chosen institution of higher education.
- Program participants must be at least 17 years old to request a withdrawal of funds.
- Participants have until they reach age 26 to use the funds in their CalKIDS account.

Eligible Use of Funds

Money in a CalKIDS account can be used to pay for qualified higher education expenses, such as:

- Tuition and related fees
- Books and required supplies
- Computer equipment

Please note that funds used to pay for non-qualified expenses may be subject to penalties and/or taxes.

To learn more, visit CalKIDS.org.

*Eligibility is defined by the Local Control Funding Formula.

The California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program (CalKIDS) is a children's savings account program, administered by the ScholarShare Investment Board, an agency of the State of California. CalKIDS will provide eligible participants with college savings accounts, including seed deposits and other potential incentives, to help pay for future qualified higher education expenses. To learn more about CalKIDS or opt out of the program entirely, please see the Program Information Guide at CalKIDS.org. CalKIDS participants may also establish individual accounts with ScholarShare 529, California's 529 College Savings Plan. **To learn more about California's ScholarShare 529, its investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses please see the Plan Description at ScholarShare529.com. Read it carefully. Check with your home state to learn if it offers tax or other benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds or protection from creditors for investing in its own 529 plan. Consult your legal or tax professional for tax advice. Investments in the Plan are neither insured nor guaranteed and there is the risk of investment loss. If the funds aren't used for qualified higher education expenses, a federal 10% penalty tax on earnings (as well as federal and state income taxes) may apply. Non-qualified withdrawals may also be subject to an additional 2.5% California tax on earnings.** TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. (TFI), Plan Manager. TIAA-CREF Individual & Institutional Services, LLC, Member FINRA, distributor and underwriter for California's ScholarShare 529. FFS-2633241PR-E1224P