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# **CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

Indian Policy Early Learning (IPEL) Sub Committee Meeting
Agenda
March 14, 2022, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Virtual meeting - Zoom details below

Time	Activity
1:00 – 1:10	Michael Vendiola, IPEL Chair – Welcome/Prayer – Introductions and updates
1:10 - 1:20	Caucus Updates
1:20 - 1:40	Native American Family Voice Listening Sessions, Dr. Martina Whelshula, Cree
	Whelshula
	The OSPI Office of Early Learning is designing culturally appropriate listening sessions to
	learn about Tribal families' experiences transitioning children into and out of early learning
	programs. The Early Learning team wishes to solicit support from the IPEL in identifying
1:40 – 2:10	Tribal early learning programs that we may contact for listening sessions.  Nature Based Learning updates, Debbie Groff, DCYF Licensing
1:40 - 2:10	Outdoor Nature-Based Child Care Licensing/Certification – Celebrate the passing of SB
	5151 and where we go from here!
2:10 – 2:40	Joint Agency Workgroup, Karin Ganz & Nicole Lor, ECEAP
	Connecting back on the first IPK report – Can feedback that we gather be incorporated into
	the send report? Sharing the work currently underway for the second Joint Agency report
	and feedback opportunities. Description of the Coordinated Recruitment and Enrollment
	work underway. ECEAP Entitlement overview and opportunities for feedback.
2:40 – 2:50	Dual Language Designation – Survey to Providers, Athena Jimenez-Manalo & Charlotte
	Campbell The Department of Children Venth & Families (DCVF) received finding from the Fair Start
	The Department of Children, Youth & Families (DCYF) received funding from the Fair Start for Kids Act to support dual language learners via a designation. As we plan for this
	designation we want to know about the good work that is already happening across the
	state. Please help us distribute this survey to Tribal early learning programs to help us
	learn more about how funding would be most helpful for programs that support children
	and families learning tribal languages.
	English Survey Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/2UGC3xeVpN5DCnJF7">https://forms.gle/2UGC3xeVpN5DCnJF7</a>
	Spanish Survey Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/JMB69LPqzRGEFhpY9">https://forms.gle/JMB69LPqzRGEFhpY9</a>
2:50 – 3:00	Tleena Ives, Director – Introduction to Wendy Thomas, new Tribal Early Learning Liaison,
2.00 4.00	OTR and GTLSSC updates
3:00 – 4:00	Fair Start for Kids, Equity Grants - Nicole Rose, Sara Morris, Chris Korsmo & Amy Russell, Early Learning
	Assistant Secretary Nicole Rose will provide an overview of the Fair Start for Kids Act with a
	focus on new grant funding opportunities. She will share the Department's approach to
	designing these grants based on input from providers and will invite IPEL to inform the
	design process.

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