

Kindergarten Readiness Summit

You're Invited!



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When: June 4, 2020

Where: Washburn University, Union Ballroom A

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

The Kansas Head Start Collaboration Office (HSCO), Kansas Head Start Association (KHSA), Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE), Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund and University of Kansas Center for Public Partnerships and Research (CPPR) are joining together to host a Kindergarten Readiness Summit.

Summit Goals

1. Identify examples of effective kindergarten readiness practices, including strategies to support smooth transitions to kindergarten.
2. Expand and enhance relationships between all early childhood programs and school districts to support kindergarten readiness.
3. Provide tools, supports and information to strengthen kindergarten readiness practices.

Who Should Attend

The Summit will provide the opportunity for bringing communities and schools together who are at various stages in their transition to kindergarten development process:

- *Explorers* – Individuals who are interested in learning more about transition planning.
- *Pioneers* – Teams from communities who are in the early stages of a transition plan development process.
- *Developers* – Teams from communities who are well on their way with their plan development.
- *Activators* – Teams or representatives from communities who have a solid plan in place.

In order to participate in this summit on transition and alignment, we ask that you gather your community's existing preschool to kindergarten transition team (or create a new one) to sign up for this event. If you are an Explorer, an individual who is interested in learning more about transition planning you may register as an individual. We encourage you to connect with others in your community to create a team, however, if others from your community also register, we can connect you.

Teams may include the following representatives (but should not exceed 8 people):

- A Head Start representative
- An elementary administrator
- A kindergarten teacher
- Community early care providers
- Community/parent representatives

Summit Registration – Due May 7, 2020

We hope you can attend so that we can share transition information with you as well as learn from your current practices! Each member of your team will need to register. A \$21 Registration fee will pay for the breakfast, lunch, and snacks provided.

[Click Here to Register](#) by May 7, 2020, and stay tuned for preparation information and activities.

Please direct questions regarding this summit to:

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Plan to stay for the KS Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund meeting on Friday, June 5th if you can.