

MPS/MKE Early Childhood 1,825 Initiative Update

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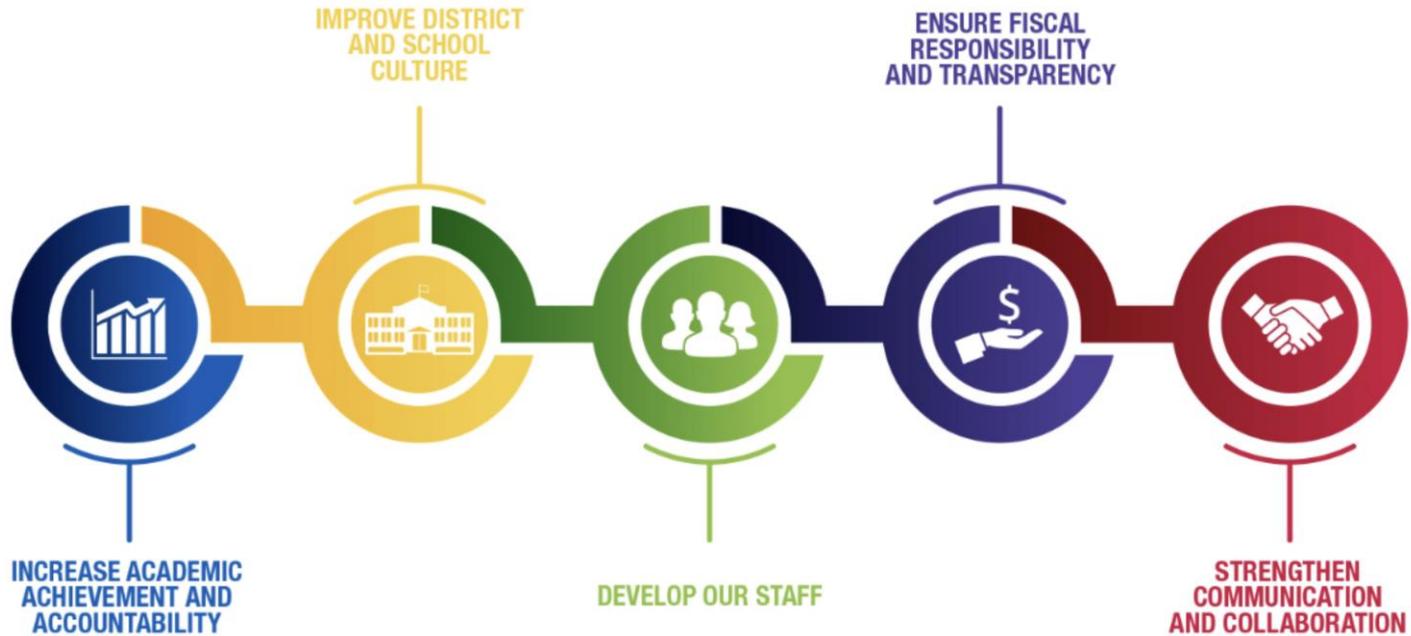


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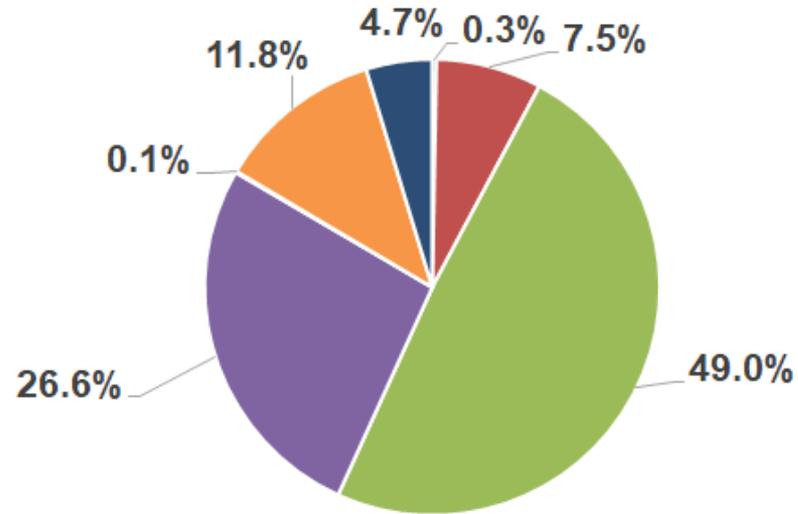
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Five Priorities for Success



Early Childhood Demographics

- 10,572 students
- 113 schools
- 5.6% English language learners
- 18.2% students with disabilities
- 81.0% economically disadvantaged



■ American Indian
■ Black/African American
■ Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
■ Asian
■ Hispanic
■ White



Early Childhood Initiative Focus and Goals

Early Childhood Staff Development	Equitable Resources	Family Support and Transition	Instruction	Social-Emotional Learning and Cultural and Linguistic Needs
<p>Provide high-quality professional learning opportunities for all early childhood care providers and educators</p>	<p>Ensure that early childhood programs are equitably equipped with resources to meet the needs of the children and families they serve</p>	<p>Provide families with support as students transition from early care centers to MPS</p>	<p>Ensure that high-quality, research-based instruction is provided for all early childhood students</p>	<p>Provide support for students to address SEL needs as well as take into consideration the cultural and linguistic needs</p>



Completed Work

Early Childhood Staff Development	Equitable Resources	Family Support and Transition	
<p>Facilitated PD for approximately 150 K3 and K4 teachers aligned to Ambitious Instruction 3.0 and focused on the integration of science</p> 	<p>MPS Early Childhood Division attended two virtual conferences that were statewide and regional.</p>  	<p>Participated in the process to adopt a universal screener that can be utilized with the EC initiative population</p>  <p>Continued partnership work and support toward initiative goals with Milwaukee Community Schools</p> 	<p>Implemented Ready Rosie Program at ALBA and Grant Gordon with high success rate and attended local meetings (CTSI) and trainings (Mind in the Making)</p> 

Current Work

Early Childhood Staff Development	Equitable Resources		Family Support and Transition	
<p>Continue partnership work and support toward initiative goals</p> 	<p>Attend meetings to collaborate with the 53206 Initiative Leadership Team</p> 	<p>Create a data sharing agreement to implement Ready4K in collaboration with Department of Children and Families (DCF)</p> 	<p>Host a virtual fair with partners for families focusing on oral language development in June 30, 2021</p>  <p>Countdown to Kindergarten</p>	<p>Distribute hands-on SEL Summer Learning Kits to students currently enrolled in the Head Start Program prior to end of year</p> 

Future Work: Summer 2021

Early Childhood Staff Development	Equitable Resources	Family Support and Transition	Instruction	Social-Emotional Learning and Cultural and Linguistic Needs
<p>Continue partnership work and support toward initiative goals with Milwaukee Community Schools and area childcares</p> 	<p>Continue sharing community resources with MPS via Google Classroom</p>  	<p>Review progress of Ready Rosie Program at ALBA and Grant Gordon to expand usage at additional schools</p>  <p>Countdown to Kindergarten</p>	<p>Exploring the implementation of high-quality standards through <i>I Can Statements</i> in K3 and K4 classrooms and ongoing oral language community and family events</p> 	<p>Creating Solutions for Mental and Behavioral Health in schools supported by the Cigna Grant</p>  <p>Kids deserve the best.</p>

Thank you.



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