

# MPS/MKE Early Childhood 1,825 Initiative Update

November 19, 2019

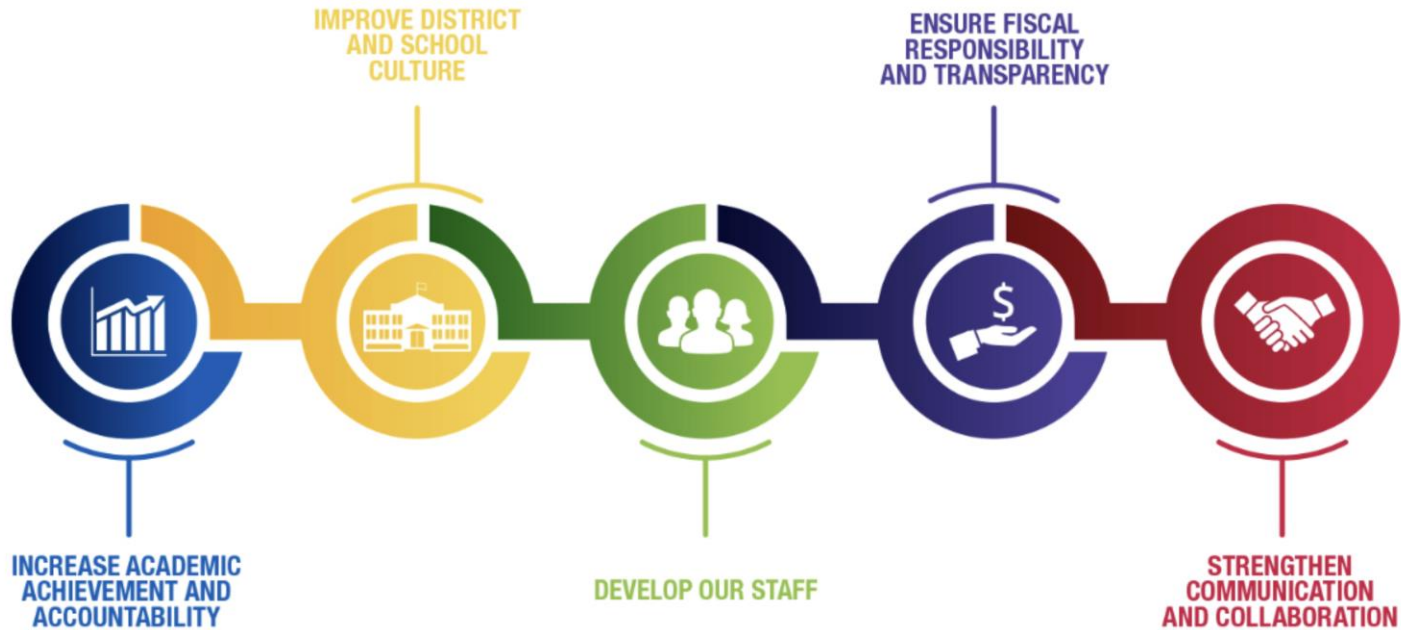


**MILWAUKEE  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Presenter:** Vickie Brown-Gurley, Interim Senior Director,  
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Dr. Keith P. Posley,  
*Superintendent*

# Five Priorities for Success



# MPS/MKE Early Childhood 1,825 Initiative

---

## Mission

To improve the learning experiences for children ages birth through five years in the city of Milwaukee by ensuring that all educators and childcare providers directly impacting children's learning possess the understanding, skill set, knowledge base, capacity, and resources needed to provide high-quality instruction to all students participating in early childhood education programs.



# MPS/MKE Early Childhood 1,825 Initiative

## Five element focus:

- Instruction
- Family Support
- Social-Emotional Learning
- Early Childhood Staff Development
- Equitable Resources



# MPS/MKE EC Initiative Workgroup Progress

Workgroup	Accomplishment(s)
Instruction	Identified and posted instructional videos for parents on how to better work with their early learners at home
Family Support	Created parent-friendly early childhood website to also be on the MPS mobile application
Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) and Cultural and Linguistic Needs	Developed an <i>SEL Parent Guide</i> for parents to use when selecting a childcare provider for their student
Staff Development	Identified childcare centers with which to partner and provide professional development
Equitable Resources	Partnered with Betty Brinn on its early Childhood Resource Night

# Progress on MPS/MKE Early Childhood 1,825 Initiative

## Completed Work

- Early Childhood Initiative web page resource for parents
- *Social-Emotional Parent Guide*
- Instructional videos available online for parents
- Identified childcare centers with which to partner
- Participated in Betty Brinn EC Resource Night

## Current Work

- Develop monthly “Countdown to Kindergarten” activities
- Develop community PD sessions on trauma
- Train all new MPS K3 and K4 teachers on Frog Street EC curriculum
- Begin fidelity checks on Frog Street curriculum

## Future Work

- Implement “Countdown to Kindergarten”
- Provide PD for community childcare centers on trauma-sensitive care
- Participate in CTSI Parent Summit
- MPS Kindergarten Fair for MKE families
- Update MPS Head Start enrollment process
- Develop strategies to increase YoungStar

# MPS/MKE Early Childhood Initiative Timeline



# Thank you.

**Presenter:**

Vickie Brown-Gurley, Interim Senior Director  
Department of Curriculum and Instruction



Dr. Keith P. Posley, *Superintendent*

