

White Center Early Learning Initiative (WCELI) Update...

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WCELI is a partnership of community members and public and private organizations working to create sustainable, integrated and accessible child development and family support services that are reflective of the diverse cultures, strengths, and needs of White Center families. Puget Sound ESD has been selected as the intermediary for WCELI and is in the process of gathering community input and assistance in designing WCELI's services.

White Center Community Summit

We are reminding you about the White Center Community Summit on Saturday, November 18 from 10-3 at Mount View Elementary School (10811 12th Ave SW Seattle, WA 98146). Childcare, lunch, transportation and interpreters will be provided. We want as many White Center residents to attend this as possible, to tell us what services they want WCELI to provide for their children and families. For more information please contact Edna Noga at 425-917-7756 or enoga@psed.org.

Community Summit Flyers In Various Languages

Please feel free to advertise this event with the flyers provided. If you would like them in poster size, please contact Edna Noga at 425-917-7756 or enoga@psed.org.

English: ftp://ftp.psedhs.org/wceli/WCELI_Community_Summit_Flyer.pdf

Spanish: ftp://ftp.psedhs.org/wceli/WCELI_Community_Summit_Flyer_Spanish.pdf

Vietnamese: ftp://ftp.psedhs.org/wceli/WCELI_Community_Summit_Flyer_Vietnamese.pdf

Amharic: ftp://ftp.psedhs.org/wceli/WCELI_Community_Summit_Flyer_Amharic.pdf

Tigrina: ftp://ftp.psedhs.org/wceli/WCELI_Community_Summit_Flyer_Tigrina.pdf

Khmer: ftp://ftp.psedhs.org/wceli/WCELI_Community_Summit_Flyer_Khmer.pdf

Interested in Helping at the Summit?

We are actively recruiting for more facilitators and scribes to help with the focus groups that will be conducted at the Community Summit. We are still looking for facilitators and scribes who speak a variety of languages, including English. Facilitator/scribe training will be taking place soon. For more information please contact Edna Noga at 425-917-7756 or enoga@psed.org.

What's Happening...

The Collaborative Planning Team met last week and were presented with a draft of a consolidated plan. This "new" plan takes the service plans from all 14 workgroups and combines critical elements from all of them into 4 major focus areas: Services to Children; Training, Support and Professional Development for Providers; Parenting Education and Support and Supportive/Comprehensive Service for Children and Families. We are continuing to refine this plan and will be incorporating the results of the Community Summit and other needs assessment activities that will be occurring.

If you or anyone else would like to be added to our email list or receive hard copies of WCELI updates and newsletters, please contact Linda Norkool at 425-917-7750 or lnorkool@psed.org. For all other general communication, please email wceli@psed.org.