

K Microcredential Workgroup

8.10.2026

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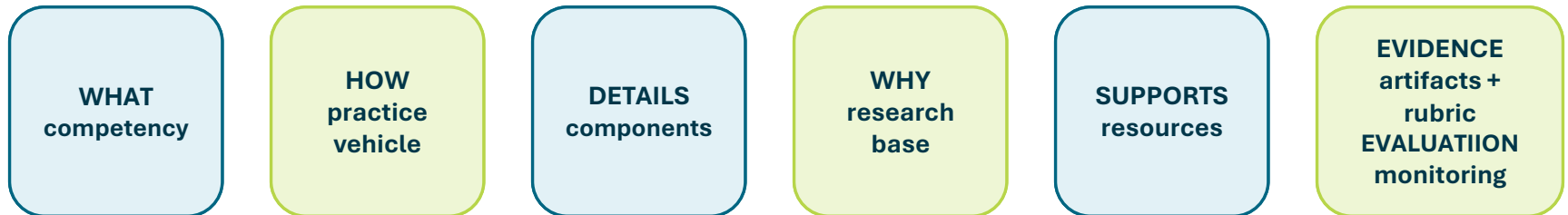
Recap of 7.28.2026 Meeting

- Prior to the 8.10.2026 meeting, group members were asked to submit ideas on what a Kindergarten microcredential could look like.
- These were discussed through breakout discussion rooms at the 7.28.2026 meeting
- Information culled from these discussions was a first step in an iterative process, to identify a suite of non-negotiables upon which an interested IHE can build a micro-credential to extend an elementary education license from grade one through grade six to kindergarten through grade six.

Purpose for today

- Use submitted and summarized ideas from the July 28th, 2026 meeting to further refine the non-negotiables aligned to the Digital Promise Framework.

Digital Promise Microcredential Framework



Today: Use framework and ‘workbook’ as a points of departure to begin the identification of the ISBE K Microcredential that IHEs will use to develop a microcredential for approval.

“ISBE provides the skeleton, IHEs provide the muscles and tendons”

Breakout Groups

- There are two breakout groups facilitated by ISBE staff.
- Facilitation is driven by the ISBE Microcredential workbook prompts.
- Menti will not be used.
- At the 8.10.2026 meeting, work group members will continue to refine ideas through reflecting upon the non-negotiables and different roles shared in the "workbook."

Microcredential meeting

Breakout Groups

Using the roles and aligned questions to the Digital Promise microcredential pillars, what are the non-negotiables in a K microcredential skeleton?

Meeting Times

With school beginning, we would like to propose a different meeting time.

In the chat, please share your availability on 8.31.26 and 9.22.26 from either:

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Or

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Next Steps

- Prior to the 8.31.2026 meeting, ISBE staff will synthesize feedback identified in breakout groups.
- This information will, for the 8.31.2026 meeting, be drafted into a v1 ISBE K microcredential aligned with the ISBE Microcredential Framework.
- At the 8.31.2026 meeting, work will focus on providing greater specificity/clarity for the K Microcredential Skeleton.