

**ISBE Early Childhood Preparation Advisory Group Meeting**  
**November 29, 2011**  
**10:00 am – 3:00 pm**  
**Redbird F Room, Marriott Hotel, Normal**

**Agenda**

- I. Welcome and Introductions (Linda Tomlinson)
  - a. Introduction of Center for Study of Education Policy staff
  
- II. Purpose of the Meeting (Linda Tomlinson)
  - a. Review recommendations for standards for elementary teacher preparation to ensure that developmental needs are addressed.
  - b. Determine any changes needed to standards or recommendations to ensure alignment between elementary and early childhood.
  
- III. Goals for Today (Linda Tomlinson)
  - a. Collaborate with Early Childhood and Elementary Advisory Groups to create continuum and alignment between Early Childhood and Elementary endorsements to optimize outcomes for early learners.
  - b. Recommendations as to the Elementary/Early Childhood endorsement model and standards.
  
- IV. Overview of the Elementary and Middle School Advisory Group (Kellee Sullivan)
  
- V. Group Discussion of Survey Results (Lisa Hood)
  
- VI. Group Activity - The Early Childhood Classroom (Melissa DeBartolo)
  
- VII. Crosswalk of EMAG/Early Childhood Standards (Melissa DeBartolo)
  - a. Potential Standards Alignment
  - b. Based on the crosswalk and our discussion, where are there gaps?
  
- VIII. Research and Resources on Early Childhood Alignment (Erika Hunt and Lisa Hood)
  - a. LINC Website
  - b. Kindergarten Readiness Assessment
  - c. Crosswalk of Early Learning Standards and Common Core
  - d. Summary of Illinois Early Learning Challenge Application
  - e. Other?
  
- IX. Group Recommendations and Next Steps (Linda Tomlinson)
  - a. Next meeting is December 9<sup>th</sup> in Springfield from 10:00 am-2:00 pm.