



Early Literacy Collaborative
 2.14.2024 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

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Purpose:

The purpose of this early literacy collaborative is to improve literacy outcomes for young children. This collaboration involves partnerships between educators, administrators, families, and community organizations to create comprehensive approaches to support children's literacy development.

Goals for this meeting:

1. Each member knows the purpose of the survey and where to find the list of recommended evaluation methodology tools.
2. Each member can use and share the FAQ.
3. Each member has clarity on the Home-based and Jumpstart programs

Attendees:

Jessie Mitchell P	Whitney Peters P	Katherine Nitcy P	Joellen Brennan A	Jessica Doherty P
Katherine Dawe A	Mona Shortman A	Amanda Cyr P	Caitlin Hall P	Allison Wilson P
Laurie Barron A	Wade Sundby A	Jill Christensen A	Aimee Konzen A	Christy Mock-Stutz A
Marie Judisch P	Kimberly Evans P	Jackie Ronning P	Lucy Beltz P	Kiera Moog P

Facilitator: Jackie (+Zoom host)

Notetaker: Kim

Timekeeper: Kim

Chat Moderator: Marie





The materials below are common resources for the Collaborative's work:

HB352	Montana Code Annotated (MCA) Title 20, Chapter 7, Part 18
Three-Pager	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Literacy Collaborative- February 14,..
District Interest Survey	Early Literacy Website
Press Release	F.A.Q
Padlet	

Schedule: Early Literacy Collaborative- February 14, 2024 Slides

Time	Facilitator	Activity
3:30	Marie Judisch	Welcome (Jackie- Attendance (record meeting))
3:35	Kimberly Evans	Objective 1: Survey District Interest Survey
3:45	Jackie Ronning and Marie Judisch	Objective 2: Review F.A.Q. FAQ
4:15	Marie Judisch	Objective 3: Guidance and clarity on Jumpstart and Home-based programs
4:30	Jackie Ronning	Notice, Wonder, Appreciate
4:35	Kimberly Evans	Ask for flood the chat with new questions
4:40	Jackie Ronning	Action Plan:see below Next meeting March 13, 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home-based program





Notes:

Levels of approval for methodology tools that are not on the recommended list from the BPE.

- OPI will work with the Advisory Council to make decisions about approving screeners not on the list

Literacy grant forms will be helpful to use as far as reporting data.

Why is Star Early Literacy on the list and Star is not?

Need funding information about classroom-based programs. (FAQ document)

Classroom-based is just for 4-year-olds.

How will others know if additional methodology tools are accepted and meet the requirements?

The screening window opens in April-June, can we assess in one month or a certain time frame?

How do we serve students if more students qualify, than we have space available for?

Working on a parent letter template that will inform on eligibility.

Jumpstart can start before **Jul 1, 2024**, but the 120 hours will not start until on or after July 1, 2024

In the following years, the jumpstart program can start/hours can start right after school

Matrix showing when students can participate in the various programs

Consult the Padlet for more information.

What other methodology tools were looked at, but didn't qualify? Why did they not make the list?

Help with programs once in practice.



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Action Plan:

Who	What	By When
	Matrix for different programs	
	Clarity on Screening Time	
	Screeners that are not going to be approved listed	
	Update FAQ	

OPI Staff are here to help:

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