



Early Care and Education (ECE) Partnerships

Information for Families

Saint Paul Public Schools Office of Early Learning aims to partner with families and communities through initiatives for our young learners.

Partnerships Coordinators coordinate systems of support through a mixed service delivery approach. We offer a variety of opportunities that work well for the families and communities we serve. We will work with your provider to provide support for child and family success.

Based on the partnership level chosen, your child, family, and their provider may experience some or all of the following benefits:

- Resources and materials to support Kindergarten transition;
- Invitations to participate in *STEPS* opportunities;
- On-site, or near-site, Early Childhood Screening;
- Relationships with staff at nearby Saint Paul Public Schools (SPPS);
- Invitations to networking opportunities offered to all partners;
- Support for sustainability or growth of current *Parent Aware* rating;
- Access to SPPS partner incentives; and
- Regular interaction with SPPS Office of Early Learning staff for the benefit of children, families, and providers.



The benefits for your child and family:

- Children and families become familiar with practices a child might experience in Kindergarten.
- Children and their families have access to resources supporting a child's development.
- Providers increase awareness of the schools their children could attend and build relationships there.
- Your provider is supported in maintaining their *Parent Aware* status through best practices.
- Participation is ongoing for a full academic year.

Testimonials

Our partnership has been such an easy and fun experience for my family. My child has access to toys and learning materials that she normally wouldn't have. Everything is brought to and picked up from my doorstep; convenient!

Hannah, Partner since 2021

Our families were more informed and involved through the opportunities our coach offered.

Danette, Partner since 2015

I truly enjoyed being in a space where children of all ages are growing and learning at a developmentally appropriate pace that meets the needs of the child and their family.

Nee X., Partnerships Coordinator

