

SAVE THE DATE

Regional Family Engagement Focus Groups

Background: The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH), Department of Early Education and Care (EEC), and Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) are working collaboratively to create a comprehensive Birth-Grade 12 Family Engagement Framework for use in home visiting programs, early intervention services, childcare centers, public school settings, and more.

The Family Engagement Focus Groups will bring together members of the cross agency team, national partners, and stakeholders from a variety of fields to provide insight, guidance, and feedback on the work currently underway to draft the Framework.

Who: Community members, parents, grandparents, practitioners, school and district personnel with an interest in informing a family engagement framework are welcome to participate. Here are some examples of other state, regional and local organizations that may want to join:

- ICC Parent Leaders
- Home Visitors
- CFCE/PCHP coordinators
- Head Start Family Engagement Coordinators
- Preschool Expansion Grant Coordinators
- Family Centers (CT)
- Family Resource Centers (DCF)
- Early childhood and after-school programs
- Museums
- Libraries
- Partnership
- Businesses
- Philanthropic
- Judicial Branch organizations
- ABE/GED programs
- McKinney Vento liaisons
- SEPAC members
- PTA members
- School committee members
- MSAA
- MSSA
- State SAC
- PCEI members
- Teachers Union
- Pediatricians
- Mental health clinicians
- MASCA
- Advocacy Organizations

When/Where:

May 2, 2018
Bedford, MA
9:00-11:00

May 2, 2018
Millbury, MA
1:00-3:00

May 3, 2018
Springfield, MA
10:00-12:00

Additional Information: To register please [click here](#).

If you are unable to attend the focus group dates listed above or registration closes due to limits on seating capacity, an [online survey](#) will be made available on May 1st. Future opportunities to participate will also be available.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Student and Family Support at DESE at achievement@doe.mass.edu or 781-338-3010.

