



**State Advisory Council Agenda**  
**Monday, September 18, 2023 | 1:30-3:00 PM**  
(note: adjusted date due to Yom Kippur)  
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**Desired Outcomes:**

- Review the draft 2024 Policy Recommendations of the Vermont Early Childhood State Advisory Council Network
- Dig deeper into one of the policy recommendations elevated by the BBF Network. Learn about challenges families in Essex County experience accessing Universal Pre-Kindergarten education.
- Build alignment and collaboration across Regional Councils, State Advisory Council and Vermont Early Childhood Action Plan committees.

**Advance Materials**

- July 24 SAC Meeting Minutes
- [2024 Policy Recommendations of the Vermont Early Childhood State Advisory Council Network](#) (9.8.23 draft)

Time	Topic
1:30 – 1:40	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome</li><li>• Mindful Moment</li></ul>
1:40 - 2:00	<b>Regional Spotlight: Pre K access for families in Essex County and other ultra-rural border regions of the state</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Learn about the challenges families in Essex County experience accessing Universal Pre-Kindergarten education. Hear from Kara Lufkin, parent, and Sharon Ellingwood, who serves as the NEK Choice School District Board member and Essex North Supervisory Union Board member.</li><li>• Explore how the Orleans Northern Essex Regional Council partners elevated this through the BBF Network and is now included in the proposed policy recommendations.</li></ul>
2:00 – 2:20	<b>General Council Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SAC Roll Call</li><li>• Approval of July 24 SAC Minutes</li></ul>

2:20 – 3:00	<b>2024 Policy Recommendations of the Vermont Early Childhood State Advisory Council Network</b> Review draft policy recommendations identified by the BBF Network to address emerging needs facing children, families and the early childhood system. SAC members will provide feedback on the drafts, consider the timeliness and actionability of recommendations and how to strengthen their impact. The SAC will vote to endorse the final policy recommendations at the October meeting.
3:00	<b>Adjourn</b>