



Smart Thinking Report Out Tool

Strategic Priority

Analyze and use data to understand issues, determine actions, make decisions, and strengthen shared accountability to improve school readiness

“Data is care! It’s the way of improving care of our children.”

Actions

List the action being worked on:

- Use multiple data sources beyond KRA to understand children’s kindergarten experiences
- Develop a more comprehensive data archive that incorporates all public and private services available for children and families and keeps track of young children’s and families’ experiences.
- Advocate for the unique identifier for 0-5.

What work has been done:

- Work on child care parent permission language for data sharing
- Develop a pilot study on incorporating child care (e.g., South Baltimore, Cherry Hill)
- Explore efficient ways of incorporating child care
- Discussion with MSDE
- Discussion with MFN

What else is needed to move this action further or complete it:

- How can we improve parent-reported prior care information?
- See meeting notes below for action steps

Any new actions as a result of working on this action:

- Collaboration with Open Heart: It might be helpful to “campaign” so that parents know the specifics of their prior care choice during kindergarten enrollment
- How to support the new single ECE application system

**Any items ECAC needs to vote on?
If so we need background info included**

N/A

Performance Measures (Targets)

With the work being done on this action does it move us closer to our performance measures?

Are the additional performance measures / targets that we need?

N/A