



Social impact organization focused on serving the families, educators, and other caretakers of children ages 0-8 with a primary emphasis on learning initiatives for ages 2-8. The mission of the Early Learning Alliance Network is to educate, advocate, and innovate to support the families, educators, and other caregivers of young children. We accomplish this mission by igniting research-based conversations around learning, child development, equity, mental health, and more.

How do we achieve our mission?

Empowerment

We provide preschool fairs, training for parents and educators, lead community conversations, provide assistance with early intervention access and support, and drive innovation in classrooms that encourage best practice learning experiences for our kids. We connect with national exemplars and bring new resources directly into preK and elementary classrooms. We support vendors seeking to improve the learning outcomes of their tools, and bridge the gap between current research and innovation and our community schools that serve all children.

Transitions

We provide transition packets for local school districts to support parents enrolling in K12 schools. We facilitate partnerships between Kindergarten and PreK teachers to help students be excited about the transition (Kindergarteners reading to PreK kiddos via FlipGrid, Kindergarteners making video tours of their schools, PreK kiddos asking Kindergarteners questions and getting answers in person, via video, etc.). We facilitate Kindergarten conversations where panels of local leaders and educators interact directly with future parents and families. We bring early learning professionals into K12 schools and K12 professionals into PreK facilities so that they can learn with, and from, one another.

Data

We collect and share data to empower participating communities decision making, be proactive, and respond to needs of our early learners, their families, educators, and caregivers. Our data sets include cost surveys, early learning provider surveys (to help identify needs), enrollment surveys, county wide expulsion surveys, data acquisition from health and education departments to help inform partnerships and practices, and more.

What have we done in the first 2 years.

- Outreach list to over 400 preschools and six school districts.
- STEM materials to benefit over 900 preK and elementary kiddos.
- Community conversations with over 700 community members.
- Educational opportunities serving more than 400 parents/primary care givers.
- Networking and Learning events for over 150 preschool leaders.
- Providing micro credentials for local educators.
- Provided transition support for over 3,200 families.
- Recognized over 120 educators for their service to young children.
- Professional learning for over 700 educators.

What's Next?

- Onboard additional preschools, K12 districts, counties, and states.
- Financial sustainability.
- Provide consulting services to organizations in need of support.
- Create an innovation fund for early learning.
- Develop models for parent education as an embedded component of the workplace.
- Develop ELAN4Kids ambassador program.
- Support completion of more certified outdoor classrooms.
- Develop Social Emotional Learning library for preschools to access.
- Create technical systems to support continuous data collection with and for preschools, create K12 continuous data systems, and communities.

Interested in Supporting our Work?

We are a 501C3 organization in Indiana. All contributions are tax deductible and donors can customize the initiatives that they are most interested in supporting.

**Learning in the early years is too important to ignore.
Let's give our kids the best opportunities for engaged experiences.**