



## MEETING NOTES

### Region 28 Workgroup

**Date: September 29, 2023 & October 25, 2023**

Facilitators: Dianna Saelens (Reginal Council Manager), Samantha Piske (Family & Community Engagement)

Participants: Sarah Mosier (Action Council), Adam Brumbaugh (Geneseo School District Superintendent), Samantha Mathew (Social Worker), Lori Tracy (Henry-Stark Special Education), Joe Mowen (Principal), Sarah Boone (Administrative Support), Tim Gronski (Chief School Business Official), & Patricia Girtten (Preschool Teacher), Jackie Mickley (School Board)

#### **Birth to Five Recommendation Addressed**

- Implement state level systems that actively and routinely seek parent/caregiver input about barriers that exist and exclude participation in current programming.
- Develop community-level collaborations to enhance service offerings.

#### **Workgroup Focus**

- Examine different Preschool For All (PFA) and Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) implementation models in surrounding communities.
- Examine different high school/ vocational “Grow Your Own” teacher preparation programs.

#### **Models Visited**

- East Moline Early Learning Center-Integrated state funded PreK program.
- Pleasant Valley High School-High school teacher preparation program.
- Our Savior Lutheran Preschool-Community partner state preschool program.
- College Community Early Childhood Center-District sponsored full day, full year, infant through PreK programming.

#### **Additional Insights**

- Conscious Discipline implementation practices.
- Teaching Strategies Gold & Creative Curriculum implementation practices.