

Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge – Major Projects at a Glance

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2014	2015	2016	2017
Early Childhood Education Community Innovation Zone Grants			
12 pilot exemplar grants awarded	38 Community Innovation Zone grants awarded	50 Community Innovation Zone grants renewed	50 Community Innovation Zone grants renewed
First Family Engagement Conf.	2015 Family Engagement Conf. English Early Learning GPS & app	2016 Family Engagement Conf.	2017 Family Engagement Conf. Spanish Early Learning GPS & app
Refining and expanding Keystone STARS			
	U Penn Inquiry of Keystone STARS Expand Keystone STARS to include other ECE programs	STARS Revisioning begins with Think Tank, town halls and three workgroups	Pilot new STARS Standards Adjustments to STARS supports Launch new Keystone STARS system
Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards for Early Childhood			
Electronic release of revised Infant/ Toddler and Pre-K Standards	Public comment review period for K – 2 nd grade standards	Electronic release of revised K- 2 nd grade standards	Printed copies of the K – 2nd grade standards available WIDA Cohort 1 and 2 Implementation
Comprehensive Assessment Systems			
Refine Early Learning Outcomes Frameworks based on Standards revisions		Convene the Research Council for recommendations	Revised ELOR strategy released Launch enhanced PA's Promise website for families
Workforce Development			
Launch of new Professional Development Registry New home visiting competencies	Mini-grants for higher education to align coursework with new Core Knowledge Competencies	Mini-grants for higher education to align coursework with new Core Knowledge Competencies	Mini-grants for higher education to align coursework with Infant/Toddler Competencies Review new PD/Coaching model during first year of new Keystone STARS
Pennsylvania's Kindergarten Entry Inventory			
Priority and Focus schools begin using the Kindergarten Entry Inventory at no cost	Invite all school districts to access the Kindergarten Entry Inventory at no cost		Validation study of Kindergarten Entry Inventory
Measuring outcomes and progress			
	Automated Spanish language correspondence for Child Care Works providers and families	Enhancements, including mobile-friendly, to online provider application and renewal	Enhanced public website to search early learning programs, findchildcare.pa.gov Online community early childhood education dashboards
Governor's Institutes for Educators Pre-K to Grade 3			
2014 Governor's Institute for P-3 education	2015 Governor's Institute for P-3 education (62 teams)	2016 Governor's Institute (86 teams) P-3 Prototype stipends (64 teams)	2017 Governor's Institute