

# Early Literacy Curriculum Council (ELCC)

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**2023-2024 Early Literacy Curriculum Council Members** | Amy McGovern ( Chairperson), Holly Prast (Vice Chairperson), Katie Kasubaski (Secretary), Megan Dixon, Nancy Dressel, Kari Flitz, Itzel Galindo, Joe Garza, and Bill Hughes

**Department of Public Instruction Staff:** Dr. Jill Underly - State Superintendent of Public Instruction, John Johnson - Deputy State Superintendent; Thomas McCarthy - Deputy State Superintendent; Sachin Chheda - Executive Director of the Office of the State Superintendent, Laura Adams - Policy Initiatives Advisor, Tacara Lovings - Policy Initiatives Advisor, Kelly Behling - Executive Staff Assistant, Mary Jo Christiansen - Executive Staff Assistant, Tari Raatz - Asst Director of Instructional Technology Services

**Virtual Meeting | See the [DPI Wisconsin Education Calendar](#) for the link to join the meeting**

### 1. Call The Meeting to Order

### 2. Attendance

- a. Council Members
- b. DPI Staff

### 3. Approval of the Agenda

### 4. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approve March 19, 2024 minutes.

### 5. DPI Updates

- a. Literacy Curricula Related Updates
  - i. Curriculum Materials Reimbursement
  - ii. DPI guidance on vendor partial submissions
  - iii. Create ELCC tab with Early Literacy Curricula Council member names, agendas and minutes [LINK](#)
  - iv. Reading curriculum survey to districts
- b. Director of the Office of Literacy Update
- c. ACT 20 Update
- d. Update on the Wisconsin State Superintendent's Reading Advisory Council
  - i. Reading Advisory Council work related to ACT 20

### 6. Office of Literacy Director. Closed Session

- a. ELCC role: Consult and advise on the selection of new director
  - i. Review, revise and approve process, including determining any artifacts or materials the ELCC will review
  - ii. Development of questions for finalists in closed session (consensus on questions)

### 7. Early Literacy Curricula and Instructional Materials for 2024

- a. Update 2024 rubric
  - i. What worked well and what could use updating
- b. In-person meeting for May

- i. Meeting topics could include refining the 2024 curricular rubric and scoring process, and updating ELCC guidance/procedure document, refining of bylaws if still needed

## 8. Bylaws Update

- a. Draft ELCC Bylaws
- b. Term information

## 9. Council Updates

- a. Future Meetings
  - i. May Meeting (See survey results)

## 10. Requests for Agenda Items

## 11. Adjournment

### CHAPTER 15 - STRUCTURE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

#### **15.377 (9) Council on Early Literacy Curricula**

(a) **There is created in the department of public instruction** a council on early literacy curricula composed of 9 members who have knowledge of or experience with science-based early reading instruction, as defined in s. 118.015 (1c) (b), and literacy curricula for pupils in grades kindergarten to 3. The members of the council shall be appointed for staggered 3-year terms, as follows:

1. Three members appointed by the speaker of the assembly.
2. Three members appointed by the senate majority leader.
3. Three members appointed by the state superintendent of public instruction.

(b) An individual may not serve as a member of the council under this subsection if any of the following applies:

1. The individual has a financial interest in an entity that develops, sells, or markets a product to assess reading ability.
2. The individual has a financial interest in an entity that develops, sells, or markets a product specifically intended to be used to teach reading.
3. The individual has a financial interest in an entity that develops, sells, or markets a product to treat reading difficulties.

(c) For purposes of par. (b), “financial interest in an entity” includes all of the following:

1. A direct or indirect ownership interest in the entity.
  2. Receiving income from the entity during the 12 months preceding the consideration for appointment under par. (a).
- History: 1971 c. 152, 211, 292; 1973 c. 89, 220, 336; 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 346, 347; 1985 a. 29, 177; 1987 a. 27; 1989 a. 31; 1993 a. 184, 399; 1995 a. 27 ss. 183 to 187, 9126 (19), 9145 (1); 1997 a. 27, 164, 298; 1999 a. 9, 100, 186; 2001 a. 57; 2005 a. 121; 2009 a. 302; 2023 a. 20; s. 35.17 correction in (9) (a) (intro.).

#### **2023 WISCONSIN ACT 20**

#### **118.015 Reading instruction; early literacy curricula and instructional materials.**

(1) **PURPOSE AND INTENT.** It is the purpose and intent of this section to provide for a developmental reading program for pupils at all grade levels.

(1c) **DEFINITIONS.** In this section:

- (a) “Phonics” means the study of the relationships between sounds and words; this includes alphabetic principle, decoding, orthographic knowledge, encoding, and fluency.
- (b) “Science-based early reading instruction” means instruction that is systematic and explicit and consists of at least all of the following:
  1. Phonological awareness, including word awareness, rhyme recognition, repetition and creation of alliteration, syllable counting or identification, onset, and rime manipulation.

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2. Phonemic awareness, including phoneme identification, isolation, blending, segmentation, addition, substitution, and deletion.
3. Phonics.
4. Building background knowledge.
5. Oral language development.
6. Vocabulary building to develop lexical and morphological knowledge.
7. Instruction in writing.
8. Instruction in comprehension.
9. Reading fluency.

**(c)** “Three-cueing” means any model, including the model referred to as meaning, structure, and visual cues, or MSV, of teaching a pupil to read based on meaning, structure and syntax, and visual cues or memory.

**(1m)** EARLY LITERACY CURRICULA AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.

**(a)** Beginning in the 2023-24 school year and annually thereafter, the council on early literacy curricula shall recommend to the department early literacy curricula and instructional materials for use in the following school year in grades kindergarten to 3. The council on early literacy curricula may recommend only early literacy curricula and instructional materials that satisfy the following criteria:

1. The curricula and instructional materials include all of the components of science-based early reading instruction.
2. The curricula and instructional materials do not include 3-cueing.

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