



GATEWAYS TO OPPORTUNITY

Illinois Professional Development System

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A Scavenger Hunt to learn more about the Illinois Professional Development System.

Scavenger Hunt Directions: Find the answers to the 20 questions about the Gateways to Opportunity Web site below. Write your answers in the space provided. We will share our responses as a group in ___ (#) minutes.

Illinois Job Board/Career Development

- List five searchable job position categories in early care and education or school-age and youth development programs currently available in Illinois.*
- Name three different settings in which you can work in the early care and education or school-age and youth development fields.*
- Answer the following:*
 - At what level on the Career Lattice is the Illinois Director Credential (IDC) Level I offered?*
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 - The Gateways Illinois Professional Development System requires that all credentials include an education and training component that encompasses seven content areas. Name two of the seven content areas.*

Credentials

4. *Name two credentials that are available as part of Gateways to Opportunity.*
5. *What credential is currently being developed for school-age and youth development professionals in Illinois?*

Professional Development Advisement

6. *What phone number do you call to find a Professional Development Advisor?*

7. *What is the cost of Professional Development Advisement Services?*



Gateways Registry

8. *How do you become a Registry member?*
9. *What color denotes a Registry-approved training offered on the Statewide Online Training Calendar?*

Higher Education Institution Faculty and Programs

10. *Name two ways you can find information about all of the state's two- and four-year institutions of higher education.*

Gateways Scholarship Program

11. List three institutions participating in the Gateways Scholarship Program.



Great START Wage Supplement Program

12. List three eligibility requirements to participate in the Great START Program.

Resources

13. Name three Illinois organizations that may provide financial assistance for college coursework or child care.

14. Name two research reports of relevance to early care and education or school-age and youth professionals.

Inside Gateways Newsletter

15. What is the name of the Gateways quarterly e-newsletter?

16. Name two articles that appear in the each issue of Inside Gateways?

