



GATEWAYS TO OPPORTUNITY

Illinois Professional Development System

PDAC Higher Education Committee

September 15, 2022

1:00PM – 2:30PM

Agenda

1:00 PM Welcome & Introductions

Approval of Minutes

- March 23, 2022

Early Childhood Access Consortium for Equity (ECACE)

- Check-in with Institutions

PDAC Strategic Plan

- Prioritize goal FY23
 - Goal 1: Explore program access and completion (e.g. licensure, transfer, degree, credential) supports for students in the field.
 - **Goal 2:** Cross walk goals strategies and lessons learned within the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) Strategic Plan.
 - Objective 1: Identify ways in which Illinois higher education institutions can infuse competency informed approaches as part of programs.
 - Objective 2: Explore the role apprenticeships play and create a guide for Illinois higher education institutions and workforce partners looking to implement.
 - Objective 3: Work with Illinois higher education institutions to understand what is needed in ECE programs to increase access to high-quality flexible learning modalities (e.g. online/hybrid, cohorts, evenings/weekends, synchronous) programming.
 - Goal 3: Build sustainable partnerships within higher education systems.
 - Goal 4: Develop ways to be competency informed across and within institutions for retention and advancement of the workforce.
 - Goal 5: Identify and address pathway challenges for new and incumbent workforce (e.g. degree attainment, Gateways Credential attainment, workforce needs).

2:30 PM Adjourn

Meeting Dates FY 23

December 8, 2022

March 9, 2022

June 8, 2022

