

July 9, 2008

We are looking forward to the second meeting of the Missouri Panel on School Readiness: Focus on Pre-Kindergarten Education. This meeting is scheduled for July 22nd in the Lincoln Room at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City.

A very full work agenda has been planned. You are strongly encouraged to review your briefing documents in order to maximize the day's productivity. The documents speak to each of the issues in the Pre-K Panel's charge from the Missouri Coordinating Board for Early Childhood and represent a range of viewpoints. These materials should be inserted in your Pre-K Panel Briefing Book behind Meeting Tab 2.

Please also bring your copy of The State of Preschool 2007 to the meeting with you as it includes information that may also assist your deliberations. My thanks to Albert Wat at Pre-K Now for his help in retrieving these background materials.

By way of friendly reminder, two (2) optional Orientation Calls have been scheduled for:

- Monday, July 14: 1:30- 2:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 15, 9:15 – 10:00 a.m.

You received the call agenda and dial-in information for these two calls via e-mail. These 45-minute optional calls are designed to provide a brief overview of the meeting, begin exploration of possible policy options, and respond to questions.

If there is anything further I can do to support your preparations for this meeting, please feel free to contact me at 202.986.1661 or at sggoffin@gmail.com.

Regards,

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