



# Redding Consortium for Educational Equity

## Full Body Meeting

**JUNE 5, 2023**

# Meeting Agenda

- **Welcome**
- **Minutes**
- **Community Impact Update**
- **Work Group Updates**
  - **Settlement Work Group**
  - **Educator Work Group**
  - **Redistricting/Governance Update**
  - **Social Determinants Work Group**
- **Budget FY 24 Updates and Vote**
  - **Spending Plan and JFC**
  - **Vote on Spending Plan**
- **Public Comment**

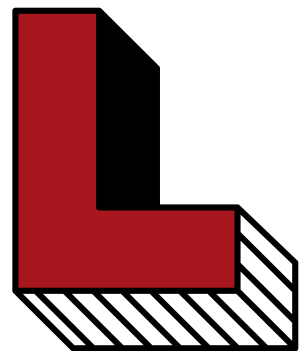
# Welcome



- **Reminder, this is a hybrid meeting**
- **Please announce your name before speaking to identify yourself**
- **Please mute yourself when not speaking**
- **Please note this meeting is being recorded and will be posted for the public**
- **Consortium members—please type your name in the chat for roll call**



# APPROVE MEETING MINUTES





# Community Impact Update

**Matt Denn,**  
***Redding Consortium Co-Chair***



# Community Impact Update

**Keith Roberts,**  
**Educator, *EastSide Charter***



# Community Impact Update

**Lucinda Ross,  
Executive Director, *St. Michael's School and Nursery***



# Community Impact Update

**Dan Shelton, *Superintendent*;**  
**Krystal Greenfield, *Principal at the Bancroft School*;**  
**Paul Dunford, Director of Teaching and Learning; *Christina School District***





# Settlement Work Group Updates:

**Aaron Bass and Chuck Longfellow,  
*Settlement Work Group Co-Chairs***

# Delaware Lawsuit Settlement: Minimum Actions Needed for Compliance

	Fiscal Year 2024 (School Yr 2023-24)	Governor's Proposed Budget FY24	Fiscal Year 2025 (School Yr 2024-25)	Future Years
<b>Opportunity Funding</b>	<b>Required:</b> Funding not less than \$50 million and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports	<b>Proposed:</b> \$53 million: \$45M overall \$8M mental health supports	Funding not less than \$60 M and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports.	Grow in accordance with Low Income and English Learner student growth
<b>Early Education: Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)</b>	<b>Required:</b> ECAP double to \$12.2 million	<b>Proposed:</b> \$12.2M for ECAP	Keep at \$12.2 million	

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<b>Teacher Recruitment and Retention</b>	<b>Required:</b> \$4 million in commitment in addition to FY21 allocations to enhance recruitment and retention in high needs schools	<b>Proposed:</b> \$4 million commitment	\$4 million commitment in addition to FY21 allocations	
<b>Independent Funding Assessment</b>	Complete by January 2024			

# Delaware Lawsuit Settlement: Minimum Actions Completed

	Status: Complete
<b>K-3 Basic Special Education:</b> change funding structure for K-3 basic special education to match funding structure for basic special education students in grades 4-12	House Bill 86 Signed 7/30/2021
<b>Ombudsperson:</b> Create and fund one position/office in each county	Program funded in FY 22
<b>Equity Statement for Capital Projects:</b> DOE will require school districts to provide an Equity Statement in regards to capital projects	Statement requirement in place February 2021

Source: [https://www.aclu-de.org/sites/default/files/judgereviewed\\_73825397\\_settlement-stipulation-and-order-final-.pdf](https://www.aclu-de.org/sites/default/files/judgereviewed_73825397_settlement-stipulation-and-order-final-.pdf) Created by the Institute for Public Administration





# **Educator Work Group Updates:**

**Shelley Rouser,**  
***Educator Work Group Member***

# Redding Consortium Schools Scholarship



- **Scholarships will be available for the 2023-2024 academic year.**
- Eligible employees or student teachers who are currently working at a Redding Consortium school can apply to receive a scholarship towards tuition and mandatory fees at a Delaware Institution of Higher Education.
  - **Individuals who are actively enrolled or planning to enroll in summer, fall, winter or spring can apply.**
- **Eligible employees** include teachers, para educators, student teachers, principals, nurses, counselors, social workers, and other education support staff in a Redding Consortium school.

# Updated Scholarship Eligibility Parameters



- **Associate, bachelors, masters, certificate, and advanced credentialing programs are eligible.**
  - There is no minimum number of credits that an eligible employee must be enrolled in to qualify for this scholarship.
- **Eligible programs of study include:**
  - Educator Prep/ARTC
  - Bachelors or associate in education
  - Education Leadership at the masters or certificate level
  - Mental Health Professionals/Speech-Language Pathologists/Occupational Therapy/School Nurses

# Redding Scholarship: Application Information



- **For coursework taken during the Summer or Fall semesters of 2023:**
  - The application will **open on June 5, 2023** and **close at 4:30 pm on August 5, 2023** - Redding Schools Support Scholarship Application
- Application dates for the Winter and Spring of 2024 will be announced later this year.
- **Have questions?**
  - Contact DHEO@doe.k12.de.us or join one of their upcoming information sessions (held virtually via WebEx). **Register in PDMS today!**
    - **June 6, 2023 @ 4:00pm**- Course ID# 31570, section ID# 72882
    - **June 8, 2023 @ 4:00pm**- Course ID# 31570, section ID# 72883





# **Redistricting & Governance Update**

**Rep. Nnamdi Chukwuocha,  
*Funding and Governance Co-Chair***



# **Social Determinants Work Group Updates:**

**Raye Jones Avery and Jeff Menzer,  
*Social Determinants Work Group Co-Chairs***

# Background & Vision

Over the past several years, the SDWG efforts have focused on early care and K-5 education

- The Work Group Co-chairs are interested in:
  - **Expanding the focus for wraparound services to middle and high school students** through development of a comprehensive plan to support the needs of middle and high school students from the City of Wilmington and northern New Castle County, Delaware.
- The approach for supporting middle and high school wraparound services will be two-fold:
  - **Short-term:** There are available Redding funds that could be put towards wraparound services this year; these funds could be used to support the Boost Initiative. (Boost is a four-district cross collaboration to improve the high school graduation success rate for Wilmington students).
  - **Long-term:** Develop a sustainable, collaborative strategy for supporting wraparound services for secondary education including districts, charters, vo-techs, and WLC alignment.

# Wraparound Services for Middle School and High School Students

**The Social Determinants Work Group approved the vote on May 22, 2023 for the following item:**

*"Approve the use of funds from the Redding Consortium budget allocated for the wraparound services to support high school students in the City of Wilmington through the Boost Initiative for the next 3 years."*





# **Redding Spending Plan and JFC Update:**

**Senator Elizabeth "Tizzy" Lockman,  
*Redding Consortium Co-Chair***

# Redding Spending Plan (FY24)

**Vote on Boost Initiative Funds and District Processing Screenings for FY24**



# Public Comment

**3 minutes per comment, thank you!**