

Notice of Public Meeting
Early Childhood Council
of Kern
Planning for quality early care and education.

General Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 11:30 a.m.

Meeting Locations:

Larry E. Reider Room 202 Bakersfield, CA 93301	Kern River Valley Family Resource Center 6416 Lake Isabella Blvd. #C Lake Isabella, CA 93240 zoom link	Cerro Coso Community College Child Development Center 3000 College Heights Blvd. Ridgecrest, CA 93555 zoom link	Wonderful College Prep Academy Yoga Studio 14848 Lanberson Ave. Lost Hills, CA 93249 zoom link	Lamont Elementary School District Family Resource and Learning Center 7915 Burgundy Ave. Lamont, CA 93241 zoom link	Bakersfield College - Learning Resource Center Building (LRC) #207 1450 Timmons Ave. Delano, CA 93214 zoom link
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Item	Time	Title of Item	Who	Description
1	3 min	Call to Order, Introductions, Roll Call	Alesha Brown	Welcome of members
2	1 min	Reading of the Council Mission Statement	Renata Sanchez	Information
3	5 min	Public comments		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The public comment period is limited to one minute. The Council is unable to take action on any item not appearing on the agenda. The public will also have the opportunity to comment on each agenda item after there has been discussion and prior to the Council taking a vote on the item. Members who would like to make a public comment can contact the LPC Coordinator (Amanda Cruz-Ardoin at amcruz@kern.org) prior to the meeting or share their comment during the meeting. Public comment will be received by the Council and action will be taken after all public comments and discussion has taken place. If you would like to make a public comment, please begin by stating your first and last name.

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4	5 min	Consent Approve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3/5/2025 Council Agenda • 2/5/2025 Council minutes 	Alesha Brown	Action- Motion to approve Agenda for 2/5/2025 and the 11/6/2024 Council minutes. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
5	10 min	Budget Report	Amanda Cruz-Ardoin	Information - Discussion on budget report. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
6	20 min	UPK Overview	Ami Moser	Information - Overview presentation on UPK. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
7	20 min	Quality Counts California/ Kern Early Stars	Yadira Mendoza	Information - Update on Kern Early Stars. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
8	5 min	ECE Workforce Survey	Mike Bledsoe	Information - Discussion on the Workforce Survey. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
9	10 min	ECCK 2024-2029 Strategic Plan	All	Information - Discussion on the ECCK 2024-2029 Strategic Plan. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
10	10 min	Drawing for CAAEYC Conference	Amanda Cruz-Ardoin	Information - Drawing names for Council members who would be interested in attending the CAAEYC Conference. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
11	5 min	CAAEYC Conference	All	Action - Motion to approve to provide partial registration fees and/or hotel funds to two Council members. Public comment

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12	5 min	Quality Counts California / Workforce Pathways Grant	Amanda Cruz-Ardoin	Information - Update on the Workforce Pathways Program. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
13	5 min	Council Membership	Amanda Cruz-Ardoin	Information - Discussion on the status of the Council membership. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
14	10 min	Public Policy Report	Kevin Bartl	Information - Update on legislation that can impact early learning and care. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
15	5 min	Council Committee Reports	Committee leads/committee members	Council committees report on their activities. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
16	10 min	Member Reports	All	Members may report on their own agency's activities. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this time.
17	1 min	Adjournment	Alesha Brown	Motion needed to approve by Council. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.

All agenda items supporting documentation are available for public review in the office of the Early Childhood Council of Kern, 2000 K Street, Bakersfield, 93301 during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, following the posting of the agenda. For information contact Council staff Amanda Cruz at (661) 861-5289 or amcruz@kern.org.