

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

**General Council Meeting**

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 11:30 a.m.

**Meeting Locations:**

<b>Larry E. Reider Building-Room 204 2000 K St. Bakersfield CA 93301</b>	<b>Kern River Valley Family Resource Center 2810 Nugget Ave. Lake Isabella, CA 93240</b> <a href="#">Zoom Link</a>	<b>Bakersfield College Delano Campus - LRC207 1450 Timmons Avenue Delano, CA 93215</b> <a href="#">Zoom Link</a>	<b>Cerro Coso Community College Child Development Center 3000 College Heights Blvd. Ridgecrest, CA 93555</b> <a href="#">Zoom link</a>	<b>Wonderful College Prep Academy Main Admin Small Conference-Room 14848 Lamberson Ave. Lost Hills, CA 93249</b> <a href="#">Zoom link</a>	<b>Lamont Elementary School District- Family Resource and Learning Center 7915 Burgundy Ave. Lamont, CA 93241</b> <a href="#">Zoom link</a>
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**Scheduled Agenda**

Item	Time	Title of Item	Who	Description
1	5 min	Call to Order, Introductions, Roll Call	Alesha Brown	Welcome of members
2	1 min	Reading of the Council Mission Statement	Tracey Wheat	Information
3	5 min	Public comments		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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 <a href="mailto:amcruz@kern.org">amcruz@kern.org</a>) 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.</li> </ol>
4	5 min	Consent Approve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4/8/2026 Council Agenda</li> <li>3/4/2026 Council minutes</li> </ul>	Alesha Brown	Action- Motion to approve Agenda for 4/8/2026 and the 3/4/2026 Council minutes. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.

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5	5 min	Budget Report	Amanda Cruz-Ardoin	Information - Discussion on the budget report. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
6	15 min	KCSOS Educational Services Foundation Agreement Renewal	All	Action - Motion to approve the Educational Services Foundation Agreement Renewal. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
7	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.
8	20 min	Zip Code Priorities	Amanda Cruz-Ardoin and Mike Bledsoe	Action - Motion to approve the Zip Code Priorities. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
9	20 min	Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Training Plan	Mike Bledsoe	Action - Motion to approve the Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Training Plan. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
10	15 min	ECE Workforce Survey	All	Information - Discussion with the ECE Workforce Survey. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
11	10 min	KCSOS - P3 Alignment and Early Education	Stacy Barnett	Information - Updates on the P3 Alignment and Early Education Programs. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this item.
12	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.
13	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.

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14	10 min	Member Reports	All	Members may report on their own agency's activities. Public comment is considered in time allotted for this time.
15	1 min	Adjournment	Alesha Brown	Motion needed to approve by Council. The next Council meeting is May 6, 2026. 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-Ardoin at (661) 861-5289 or [amcruz@kern.org](mailto:amcruz@kern.org).