

200.707 Community early childhood councils.

- (1) The Early Childhood Advisory Council may recognize and fund a community early childhood council. A council shall be composed of no fewer than seven (7) and no more than twenty-seven (27) members. Each council shall be composed of at least one (1) member representing local agencies or organizations from profit, nonprofit, or family child care, Head Start or Early Head Start, and each school district in its designated service area. Other members may be appointed who represent local agencies and organizations, including, but not limited to, the organizations or agencies listed:
 - (a) Early childhood advocate;
 - (b) Faith community;
 - (c) Family resource center;
 - (d) Military establishment;
 - (e) Child-care resource and referral agency or child-care subsidy agent;
 - (f) Child-care consumer or parent;
 - (g) County cooperative extension service;
 - (h) Department for public health;
 - (i) University, college, or technical school;
 - (j) United Way;
 - (k) Kentucky Early Intervention System;
 - (l) Agency administering services to children with disabilities;
 - (m) Home visitation agency;
 - (n) Family literacy agency;
 - (o) Civic organization;
 - (p) Public library;
 - (q) Regional training center;
 - (r) Community action agency;
 - (s) Government;
 - (t) Business community;
 - (u) Home schooling association;
 - (v) Health care professional;
 - (w) Foster care parent; or
 - (x) Adoptive parent.
- (2) Members shall serve on a community early childhood council on a voluntary basis and receive no compensation or expense reimbursement for their service.
- (3)
 - (a) Members shall serve for a term of two (2) years and until their successors are appointed, except that for those members initially appointed, the terms shall be as follows:
 1. One-third (1/3) of the members shall be appointed for three (3) years;

2. One-third (1/3) shall be appointed for two (2) years; and
 3. One-third (1/3) shall be appointed for one (1) year.
- (b) Vacancies shall be appointed for unexpired terms in the same manner as original appointments.
- (4) A community early childhood council shall collaborate with the District Early Intervention Committee, the Preschool Interagency Planning Council, and other existing interagency groups in the service area.
 - (5) A community early childhood council may apply for a competitive grant from the Early Childhood Advisory Council, consistent with a state plan for grant participation as established by the Early Childhood Advisory Council. Grant proposals shall:
 - (a) Include a needs assessment and budget proposal for the respective service area served by a community early childhood council;
 - (b) Not include administrative costs that exceed five percent (5%); and
 - (c) Contain a signed statement from each member of the community early childhood council certifying that no program, agency, or individual that may receive part of an award would constitute a conflict of interest under KRS Chapter 11A for the council member. Issues concerning conflicts of interest shall be submitted to the Executive Branch Ethics Commission for resolution.
 - (6) A community early childhood council shall submit an annual report to the Early Childhood Advisory Council that details the activities and services of the community early childhood council, including the progress that the community early childhood council has made toward addressing the early childhood development and school readiness goals for its designated service area and recommendations that may be included in the state plan.
 - (7) Any records that are in the custody of a community early childhood council, a designated service provider, or a grantee that contain personal and identifying information relating to a family or children receiving services through the council shall be confidential and not subject to public disclosure, except as otherwise authorized by law.

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