

2022 Partnership Workshop Series



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Join [Youth Development Executives of King County \(YDEKC\)](#), a Best Starts for Kids Capacity Builder, for a series of workshops supporting Best Starts for Kids grantees who are building, managing, and strengthening school and community partnerships. Funded by the King County Best Starts for Kids levy, these free sessions are open to organizations doing work in King County, with an emphasis on supporting King County Best Starts for Kids grantees.

MAPPING YOUR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ECOSYSTEM

- Thursday, September 29, 2022, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Register for this [workshop](#).
- Thursday, November 10, 2022, 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Register for this [workshop](#).

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRAM

- Thursday, October 13, 2022, 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Register for this [workshop](#).
- Thursday, December 1, 2022, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Register for this [workshop](#).

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE FOR KING COUNTY BEST STARTS FOR KIDS GRANTEES

YDEKC is serving as a [Capacity Builder](#) for King County Best Starts for Kids Grantees, with a focus on supporting school-community partnerships. Grantees may request free one-on-one coaching and technical assistance in this area by contacting Jorji Knickrehm at jknickrehm@kingcounty.gov and Anne Powell Arias at aarias@ydekc.org.

Fall 2022 Partnership Workshop Series Descriptions

MAPPING YOUR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ECOSYSTEM

It takes a comprehensive, complementary, and well-coordinated range of programs and services to ensure every child has what they need to learn, grow, and thrive. When community organizations, youth, families, schools, and districts partner to provide these supports in a community, we build our collective capacity for systems change at the same time. If a partnership ecosystem is, “the network of interconnected organizations and adults who provide a system of supports for students,” then who are the people and organizations in your school-community partnership ecosystem, how are they connected, and what are you doing to strengthen individual relationships?

In this interactive virtual session, participants will create a map of the relationships within their ecosystem and identify what types of partnership and collaboration they are engaged in (or aiming for). Our guiding tools from YDEKC’s [School and Community Partnership Toolkit](#) will provide you with resources to explore during the workshop and to apply after the session in depth.

This workshop is designed for leaders at all levels within schools, school districts, and community-based organizations who are developing or managing partnerships between schools and community-based organizations and is highly recommended for new partners or people who are new to their role.

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRAM

If we believe cross-sector partnerships are fundamental to achieving and sustaining student success, then what are we doing to develop and maintain lasting partnerships between schools and community-based organizations? In this session we will define sustainability and identify applicable practices within relationship building, strategic communication, documentation, partnership and program quality, and resource development. Participants will share strategies, assess their own partnerships, and take steps to draft a sustainability action plan. Our guiding tools from YDEKC’s [School and Community Partnership Toolkit](#) will provide you with resources to explore during the workshop and to apply after the session in depth.

This interactive virtual workshop is designed for leaders at all levels within schools, school districts, and community-based organizations who are developing or managing partnerships between schools and community-based organizations. It is strongly recommended for people who are looking for ways to improve their partnership practices and develop a partnership that lasts for multiple years.