



FRYSC Coordinators,

Welcome back FRYSCs! We love our FRYSCs and want to thank you for the amazing ways you find to meet the needs of students and their families each day!

Below are resources we'd like to recommend as the 2022-2023 school year gets underway.

- Become a Family Friendly Certified School- In March, the Family Friendly School Certification for Kentucky schools and early care centers was launched. Research shows that when families are meaningfully engaged in their children's learning and development, it promotes overall success in academic achievement, social-emotional well-being, and family-teacher relationships. We encourage you to support your school in obtaining Family Friendly Certification this year. To be considered for the 2022 recognition you must submit before Nov. 1st. Your Advisory Council could serve as the perfect team to complete this certification!
- Support Family Leadership-Family representatives on your Advisory Council may benefit from
 training and networking with other representatives across the state. Nominate outstanding family
 leaders for the <u>CIPL Fellowship Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence</u>. Encouraging
 families as partners in decision-making is critical to authentic engagement and trust building in a
 school.
- Host an <u>Education Cafe</u>-Order an education cafe card deck or attend the next training on Oct. 20th in Lexington.
- **Join the Groundswell**-Increase community engagement through the **Groundswell Initiative**. This network is a gathering hub for community profiles, actions that improve student outcomes, and mobilization of communities to invest their time and talent to improve education at the local level.
- Join Us in Celebrating: Nov. 14th-18th Kentucky Family Engagement in Education Week! Follow @kycipl on Facebook and @kyfamengage on Twitter.

Finally, we would encourage you to visit www.prichardcommittee.org for toolboxes with information including district community profiles, bright spot schools, current research, and blog posts on education topics throughout Kentucky. Additionally, we want to uplift and applaud the innovative work being done in our state for education and solicit you to share with us the notable examples of this work unfolding in the upcoming school year. Thank you, for your hard work and dedication to families, their students, your communities, and our future!

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