Kansas ECCE Workforce Study Appendix A1 – Survey Instrument for Current ECCE Professionals



Greetings,

Kansas Child Care Training Opportunities (KCCTO), an organization that provides professional development and technical assistance to early childhood care and education (ECCE) professionals across Kansas, received funding to develop a plan to implement a career pathway for child care workers and professionals.

KCCTO is partnering with the Office of Educational Innovation and Evaluation (OEIE) to administer a workforce study to gather feedback from ECCE professionals who work or worked in the state of Kansas in the ECCE field. We seek to better understand the workforce and the systems that affect turnover and workplace satisfaction of ECCE professionals.

This survey should take 30-40 minutes to complete. Your responses to these survey questions will be kept confidential and your participation is voluntary. You will not be mentioned by name nor will any personally identifying information be included in any reporting of the results. The only identifying information that will be shared with KCCTO is the contact information to provide you with your incentive payment. Your responses will be combined with those from other survey respondents for their use with project planning, reporting, and publications. Information shared will not be used or distributed for any other purposes.

Eligible survey respondents may receive up to a \$100 incentive for completing the survey. Eligible participants may receive \$10 for starting the survey, \$50 for completing at least 50% of the survey, and \$100 for completing the entire survey. **You must be 18 years of age or older to participate in this survey.**

If you have any questions about the workforce study itself, please contact KCCTO (kccto@ksu.edu). For technical questions or assistance, please contact oeiestaff@ksu.edu. You may also contact the Research Compliance Office at Kansas State University with questions about this data collection (comply@ksu.edu).

Thank you

The Office of Education Innovation and Evaluation Team

Kansas State University

First & Last Name		Email Address							
Mailing Address		Birth Month	Phone Number						
1. Please select the option that best describes your residency status:									
☐ I currently live in Kansas.	□lu	sed to live in Kansas, but don't any longer.	☐ I have never lived in Kansas.						
2. Please select the option that bes	t desci	ibes your residency status:							
☐ I currently work in the Early Childh Care and Education field in Kansas. (Continue to "Currently work as an El		☐ I used to work in the Early Childhood Care and Education field in Kansas, but no longer do.	☐ I have never work in the Early Childhood Care and Education field in Kansas.						
professional" version)		(Continue to the "Previously worked as an ECCE professional in Kansas" version)							

Please respond to the following items based on your experience(s) while working in Kansas as an ECCE professional.

3. Please select the statement or statements that best describe(s) your setting in the ECCE field. I work in the ECCE field in (Select all that apply.)								
☐ A child care center (the facility serves children across multiple ages). ☐ A drop-in program.				☐ An early childhood program for schoolaged children.				
☐ A family child o	care setting.			☐ A Head Start or Early Head Start program.				
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Great job, you are 25% complete with the survey! Your incentive payment will increase to \$50 once you have completed 50% of the survey, up to \$100 for completing the entire survey.

9. Please select your ger	าder:								
☐ Female	☐ Male	Э	☐ Gender fluid			Genderqueer	☐ Agender		
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20 years or younger		-30 years	☐ 31-40 years		41-50			☐ 51-60 years	
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12. Are you Hispanic or □ Hispanic or Latino/Latina (or			Not Hispanic or Latino/	/Latina		☐ Prefer no	ot to resi	pond	
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				Indian and Ala		e)	Island	er	
□White		☐I self identify	y as (please describe):	□Prefer not to	o respond				
14. Please indicate the	educati	on/certificati	ons you've obtained	d: (Select all	that app	ply.)			
☐ Did not finish high school n	or obtain	a GED		☐ 2-year c	ollege degi	ree in Early Chi	ildhood	Education	
☐ Currently enrolled in high s	chool			4-year conspecify area		ree outside of E	arly Ch	ildhood Education (Please	
☐ High school diploma or GE	D			4-year c	ollege degi	ree in Early Chi	ildhood	Education	
☐ Technical or vocational trai	ining			□4-year co	llege Early	/ Childhood Un	ified deg	gree	
☐ Child Development Associa	ate (CDA)) Credential (Plea	ase specify area):	☐ Kansas	Teaching L	icense			
☐ Early Childhood Certificate				Currently	y enrolled i	in a master's de	egree pr	rogram, (Please specify area):	
☐ Some college (Please spec	cify area):			☐ Master's	degree (P	Please specify a	irea):		
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Childhood Education					y emoned i		gree pr	ogram (r lease spelicy alea).	
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2-year college degree outs area):	ide of Ea	rly Childhood Ed	ucation (Please specify						

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□ 0 hours]	□ 0 hours						
☐ 1-25 hours		1	☐ 1-9 hours						
☐ 26-50 hours		1	☐ 10-19 hours						
☐ 51-100 hours]	☐ 20-29 hours						
☐ 101-200 hours		1	☐ 30-49 hours						
☐ Over 200 hours			□ 50+ hours						
ock Hours: The total nu	umber of actual hours per week s	spent attending class or	other instructional activities that cour	nt toward completing a program of study.					
Definitions adapted to the second sec		yinthestates.dhs.gov	v/2016/03/difference-between-	-clock-hours-and-credit-hours). rly Childhood Care and Educat					
field:	Anderson	☐ Atchison	☐ Barber	☐ Barton					
Bourbon	Brown	Butler	Chase	☐ Chautaugua					
Cherokee	☐ Cheyenne	□ Clark	Clay	Cloud					
Coffey	Comanche	□ Cowley	☐ Crawford	Decatur					
Dickinson	Doniphan	Douglas	□ Edwards	□ Elk					
Ellis	Ellsworth	Finney	Ford	Franklin					
Geary	Gove	Graham	Grant	Gray					
Greeley	Greenwood	☐ Hamilton	Harper	☐ Harvey					
] Haskell	Hodgeman	Jackson	☐ Jefferson	☐ Jewell					
Johnson	☐ Kearney	☐ Kingman	☐ Kiowa	☐ Labette					
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Miami	☐ Mitchell	☐ Montgomery	Morris	☐ Morton					
Nemaha	☐ Neosho	☐ Ness	☐ Norton	☐ Osage					
Osborne	☐ Ottawa	☐ Pawnee	Phillips	☐ Pottawatomie					
	Rawlins	Reno	Republic	Rice					
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	Rooks Sedgwick	Rush Seward	☐ Shawnee	Sheridan					

☐ Under \$15,000	□ \$15,000 to \$24,999		□ \$2	5,000 to \$3	4,999	□ \$35,000 to \$49,999					
□ \$50,000 to \$74,999	□ \$75,000 to \$99,999		□ \$1	00,000 to \$	149,999	□ \$15	0,000 to \$	199,999			
☐ \$200,000 and over	☐ Prefer not to respond										
40. Do you obtain income	from courses other than w		am (2 (5	alaat all ti	not amply)	I .					
19. Do you obtain income to Financial support from family		our sai			y, or other goverr	nment as	sistance.				
☐ Working additional part-time	•••				additional income						
☐ Prefer not to respond.	.,, , ,										
20. How many dependents			ouseho								
	1-2	3-4			More than 4		⊔ Preter i	not to respond			
21. During the last few mo	nths, was there a time whe	n. bec	ause of	a lack of	money or othe	r resoui	rces:				
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		Neve	er	Rarely	Occasionally	am	ount	A great deal			
You were worried you would no	ot have enough food to eat.					I					
You were unable to eat healthy					I						
You only ate a few kinds of foo	od.					I					
You were hungry but did not ea	at.										
You went without eating for a v	vhole day.										
You were unable to pay rent or	r your mortgage.										
You were unable to pay for util	ities or other household										
expenses.											
22. What benefits do you r (Select all that apply.)	eceive as a part of your en	nploym	ent as	an Early (Childhood Care	and Ed	lucation	professional?			
☐ 401K or other retirement pla	an		☐ Discounted or covered child care								
☐ Dental insurance			☐ Disability (Long-term or short-term) insurance								
☐ Health insurance			☐ Vision insurance								
☐ Paid time off			☐ Paid vacation leave								
☐ Paid sick leave			□Par	ental leave							
□ None			Oth	er (Please	describe):						
You have reached 50% surve survey responses. As a remin											
23. Please indicate your le	vel of agreement with the			ements:			1	T 01 .			
			rongly sagree	Disagre	Neither dis e nor agi	•	Agree	Strongly agree			
I feel as if my ECCE setting's p	problems are my own.										
I do not feel 'emotionally attach	ned' to my ECCE setting.										
My ECCE setting has a great of	deal of personal meaning to me).									
I do not feel a strong sense of	belonging to my ECCE setting.										
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18. Please select your annual household income range:

				ongly agree	Disagree		disagree nor agree		Agree	Strongly Agree		
It would be very hard for me to leave my job ev to.	en if I wa	nted										
Too much of my life would be disrupted if I left in	my job.											
Right now, staying with my job is a matter of ne much as desire.	cessity a	IS										
One of the downsides to leaving my job is that many job options elsewhere.	there are	not										
25. Please indicate how frequently the following statements apply to you:												
	Never	At lea few tir ye	nes a	At lea once mont	а	Seve times mon	a	Once a week	Several times a week	- ,		
In my job, I often have to express emotions towards children which do not match my actual feelings.												
In my job, I often have to express emotions towards parents which do not match my true feelings.												
In my job, I often have to suppress emotions in order to appear 'neutral' on the outside.												
I often have to exaggerate emotions (positive/negative) on the outside while actually feeling indifferent inside.												
26. Please select your level of agreement wit	h the fol			ments. Th	niņki		your	· work en				
		Strong disagi		Disagree		Neither disagree nor agree		Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A or Prefer not to respond		
I feel safe in my setting.												
I have adequate access to first aid or other emergency care equipment.												
I have opportunities to pursue / complete profes development activities.	ssional											
I have enough physical space to care for the chin my setting.	nildren											
There is adequate staffing in my setting to provappropriate care for all children in our setting.	ide											
I communicate with parents on a daily basis.												

Neither disagree

24. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements:

27.	What first aid or emergency care equipment woul setting that you currently do not?	ld you	like to have at	your E	arly Ch	ildhood Care	and Education	ı (ECCE)			
<u>28.</u>	What brought you into the Early Childhood Care	and Ed	lucation (ECCI	E) field'	?						
29.	What motivates you to stay in the Early Childhoo	d Care	and Education	n (ECC	E) field	?					
30.	Please select the appropriate responses to the fo	llowing									
			Never	Rai	ely	Sometimes	Frequently	Always			
	ow often do you think about leaving the ECCE profess]						
wo	ow often do you think about changing your current EC orkplace (i.e., remain in the ECCE workforce but leav different center or open your own setting)?]						
ро	ow often do you think about changing your current osition in your ECCE workplace (i.e., different classroe group)?	om,]						
ро	ow often do you think about changing your current osition in your ECCE workplace for a promotion (e.g., coming a lead teacher or becoming a director)?			[]						
	ow often do you feel you are well prepared to work wit ildren?	h]						
31	31. How likely is it that you will look for another job for the next 12 months?										
V 1.	☐ Very unlikely ☐ Unlikely		ther unlikely nor		Like	ely	☐ Very likely				
32.	How likely is it that you will actually leave your jo										
	☐ Very unlikely ☐ Unlikely	⊔ Nei	ther unlikely nor	likely	Like	ely	☐ Very likely				

33. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following state	ments:		,		
	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree nor agree	Agree	Strongly agree
I can influence my curriculum, scheduling, and policies.					
I have sufficient rights to make decisions that affect my day to day.					
I am involved in the planning of my work.					
34. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following state	ements:	,			
	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree nor agree	Agree	Strongly agree
I am able to control children's disruptive behavior in my ECCE setting.					
I am able to get children to follow ECCE setting rules.					
I can calm a child who is noisy or disruptive.					
I can establish routines to keep activities running smoothly.					
35. Do you report to a supervisor at your Early Childhood Care and ☐ Yes ☐ No	I Education	(ECCE) sett	ting? □ Unsure		
36. (If you responded 'Yes' to item #35) Please indicate your level o	of agreemen	nt with the fo		ments:	
	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree nor agree	Agree	Strongly agree
I get along with my supervisor.					
I feel appreciated by my supervisor.					
I receive enough guidance from my supervisor.					
37. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following state	ements:				
	Strongly		Neither disagree e nor agre	9	Strongly agree
I feel I can communicate openly with parents of the children in my care.	. 🗆				
I feel I can collaborate with parents to provide stronger care for their children.					
I view the families of the children in my care as partners in their child's education.					

38. To what extent do you cons	<u> </u>	Never	Rarely	Occasi	ionally	A moderate amount	A great deal
Coaches]		
Community health workers]		
Links to quality community consulta	ints]		
Infant/toddler specialists]		
Professional development specialis	ts						
Child and Adult Care Food Program	n (CACFP)						
Family service coordinators]		
Licensing surveyors]		
Training organizations (i.e., KCCTC), Child Care Aware)]		
Someone else not listed here (Plea	se describe):						
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☐ Job orientation	☐ Mentoring	☐ Paid breaks ☐ Paid child care tu your child)					
☐ Job orientation	☐ Mentoring	☐ Paid b	reaks				tion (for
☐ Paid professional development fees	☐ Paid tuition (for your schooling)	☐ Plannii	ne off for trainingsional develop	ment			
☐ Written job description	☐ Written personnel policies	□ None			□ Otr	ner (Please des	scribe):
Way to go! You have nearly 10. Please indicate your level of	completed the survey. Please of complete, your incentive pa	yment will mov	ve from \$50 to	\$100. Neit	ther	%. Once the su	,
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	disag nor a	_	Agree	Strongly Agree
Others in my setting take an actidevelopment and professional g]		
I am encouraged to pursue furth	er professional development.						
The professional development p into account my individual needs							
There are opportunities in this caskills.	enter for developing new			С]		
It is difficult to gain access to in-	service courses.]		
41. I have an Individualized Pro	ofessional Development Plan	(IPDP).		□Unsu	20		

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Со	aching								
Pe	er Mentoring								
A۷	aining from organizations such as KCCTO, C vare, etc.								
profe Pee learr Defii work	ching: is a relationship-based process led by an essional role than the recipient(s). Mentoring: is a relationship-based process bething knowledge and skills, the mentor, providing anitions adapted from the NAEYC (2011) technically public-policy-advocacy/glossarytraining ta.pdf). How familiar are you with early care and	ween colleague guidance and e I glossary (<u>http:</u>	es in similar p xample to th s://www.naey	orofessional e less-expe /c.org/sites/	roles, wit	h a mo otégé	ore-experien	ced individu	al with adult
	□ Not at all familiar	☐ Slightly fa				□Sc	mewhat fa	miliar	
	☐ Moderately familiar	☐ Extremely	y familiar						
44	To what extent are you involved with an	early care an	d educatio	n coopera	tive?				
тт.	□ Not at all involved	☐ Slightly in		пооорста		□М	oderately in	nvolved	
	☐ Very involved	☐ Extremely					•		
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45.	Please select your level of agreement with	th the followi		1	e Neit	hor	Agroo	Ctrongly	N/A or
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	eel the only way to advance my career is to s ditional credentials.	seek]			
ad	ave access to community resources to proviequate child care (e.g., food, medical care, liner activities).								
	nsas provides adequate support for ECCE s rkers (e.g., DCF, KDHE).	ettings and							
	ensing to become an ECCE professional wavigate.	as easy to]			
Му	community supports ECCE settings and wo	orkers.]			
	e qualifications to become an ECCE profess asonable.	ional are]			
	e regulations required to operate a child care e reasonable.	e center]			
	e start-up processes for in-home child care v navigate.	vere easy]			
46.	What support would you like to see from	Kansas (KS))?						

47. Please select your level of agreement wi	th the following statements	J .								
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree nor agree	Agree	Strongly agree				
I view myself as an ECCE professional.										
The parents of the children in my care view me	e as an ECCE professional.									
My community views me as an ECCE professi	onal.									
Society views me as an ECCE professional.										
48. How often do you communicate with oth	er Farly Childhood Care a	and Education (ECCE) professionals?								
☐ I always communicate with other ECCE	☐ I often communicate wit			metimes com		vith other				
professionals.	professionals			professionals						
☐ I rarely communicate with other ECCE	☐ I never communicate wi	th other		not communi						
professionals.	ECCE professionals		ECCE	professionals	but would	like to.				
49. How could your community better suppo	ort Early Childhood Care ar	nd Education	on (ECCE) s	ettings and/	or profess	ionals?				
50. How could Kansas better support Early (·		·		re?				
51. What community resources are not avail	able in your community in	at would h	eip you pro	vide adequal	e chiid ca	re?				

52. To what extent are you interested in the following profe	Not	at all ested	S	lightly erested	Мо	derately erested		ery rested	Extremely interested		
Additional training(s)	[
Additional certification(s)	[
Advancing my degree]										
Mentoring/coaching from peers	[
Mentoring/coaching from support agencies (KCCTO, Child Care Aware, etc.)	cies (KCCTO, Child										
Something not listed here (Please describe):	escribe):										
53. To what extent do the following barriers/reasons prevent you from accessing professional development activities? Not at all Very little Somewhat To a great extent											
The cost is a major factor that prevents me from accessing				Very lit	tle	Somew	/hat	To a gr			
professional development activities.											
I do not have time to access professional development activitie	S.										
I am unsure how to access professional development activities											
Taking part in professional development activities will not increasing compensation.											
Taking part in professional development activities will not yield promotion.			l								
I have already taken all the professional development activities are offered.			l								
I have other reasons for not taking part in professional develop activities (Please describe):	ment										
54. To what extent would the following supports help you to											
Accessibility supports (e.g., interpreters, visual aids, mobility		Not at a □	ll .	Very littl □	е	Somewh	nat	To a gr	eat extent		
assistance).											
Cost assistance											
Different delivery options (in-person, online, hybrid training)											
Pool of substitute teachers											
Training catered to my specific needs											
Training delivered in my first language											
Training delivered to my workplace											
Something not listed here (Please describe):											

55. To what extent would the following incentives drive you to access professional development opportunities?				
	Not at all	Very little	Somewhat	To a great extent
Assistance with business needs				
Assistance with family needs				
Benefits				
Different delivery options (in-person, online, hybrid training)				
Recognition				
Stipends				
Something not listed here (Please describe):				

Congratulations! You have reached the end of the survey questions. Thank you for the time and effort that you put into completing this survey. Please complete the following instructions to send in your survey and receive your reward.

Once finished, please place your survey in the return envelope included in your packet.

Mail to the address listed below:

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