

# AAPA Monthly Meeting Minutes Virtual via Google Meets Thursday, December 3, 2021 6:30 pm

#### I. Welcome

- a. Dr. Glenda Rosado- assistant superintendent of staff and student services
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### II. Introductions

- b. 22 attendees
- III. Jumpstart Program Presentation
  - a. Via: Argelia Luna
  - b. Baby tomcats: east aurora Jumpstart program
    - ii. Prenatal to 3-years-old
    - iii. One of the most important roles as a parent is being their teacher
    - iv. Check-ins 2x a month
    - v. Help monitor child's development
    - vi. Help establish your baby's first library
    - vii. Parent's cheerleader
    - viii. Not a childcare service, but a partnership
    - ix. Ideally want to start working with families prenatal
  - c. 3 focus areas to aid in school readiness and academic success



- i. strengthening parent-child interactions
  - ii. providing development centered parenting strategies
  - iii. supporting family well-being with connections to community resources
- d. research: first 1000 days of a child's life can help a child set the foundation of their academic success
  - i. contact: 630-299-7493
  - ii. https://ecc.d131.org/jumpstart
  - iii. free to participate
  - iv. enrollment always open as children age out
  - v. phone/virtual visits (usually home visits)
  - vi. virtual family events
  - vii. transition into pre-k
- e. program has been around for over 20 years
- f. please spread the word to expecting mothers and families about Jumpstart
- IV. Questions: Internet Safety & Upcoming Workshops
  - a. Please see district website for resources: parent online safety resources
  - b. Workshops: virtual EASD 131 Tech parent series
    - i. Raising Students in a Digital Environment: Staying Safe Online
    - ii. Follow link on flyer for registration



c. Next one is December 10 and December 17

# V. Resources:

- a. Community Advocacy Awareness Network
- b. Please see attached flyer
- c. Please see parent tab: aurora area resource tab on the district website
- d. Visit EASD 131 "Area Resources" tab
- e. Holidays during COVID
- f. Child mind institute: holidays during the pandemic

## VI. Kwanza

- a. African-American celebration of life from December 26-January 1
- b. Kwanza derived from the phrase "matunda ya kwanza" which means first fruits in Swahili
- c. Founder: Dr. Maulana Karenga, professor and chairman of Black Studies at California State University
- d. 7 principles focused over 7 nights

### VII. Concluding Remarks:

a. Next meeting January 7, 2020 (Virtual)