

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN EARLY EDUCATION

11:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 6, 2025

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AGENDA

I. Welcome and Opening Remarks Kelly Gonez
Chairperson

II. Presentations

1. Building Strong Foundations:
The Importance of Numeracy in Early Education Programs.....Imelda Mendez
Principal, Alexandria Early Education Center

Hewan Negussie
Early Education Teacher, Alexandria Early Education Center

Pia Sadaqatmal
Chief of Transitional Programs

Dr. Dean Tagawa
Executive Director, Early Childhood Education

2. Overview of the Trauma & Resilience Informed Early Enrichment Program
(TRiEE) at LAUSD..... Joel Cisneros
Executive Director, School Mental Health and Wellness Services

Kezia Miller
TRiEE Coordinator

III. Closing Remarks

IV. Public Comment

V. Adjournment

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