

# Early Learning Council (ELC) of Georgetown County Strategic Plan -2016

**Vision:** All children in Georgetown County will reach their full potential.

**Mission:** To champion the education and well-being of young children through advocacy, research development, and promotion of opportunities which allow them to reach their full potential.

\*These objectives are to be completed before the end of 2016 in Georgetown County, SC.

<p><b>GOAL 1: Champion Families</b>  <b>Increase the quality and availability of supportive family services that primarily affect children 0-9.</b></p>
<p><b>Objective 1:</b> Support the work of the Cross Collaborative Care/Case- Coordinators/Managers group as it relates to families with young children (Amy Condon, Carolyn Ellis).</p>
<p><b>Objective 2:</b> Encourage increased parenting education opportunities for families of young children. (Fedrick Cohens)</p>
<p><b>Goal 2: Champion Quality Education</b>  <b>Improve access to quality developmentally appropriate educational environments and related services for children 0-9.</b></p>
<p><b>Objective 1:</b> Support the work of the Early Childcare Directors Forum to encourage increased collaboration among public and private early childhood service providers. (Fedrick Cohens, Celia Rutledge, Madeleine Ritchie, Carolyn Ellis)</p>
<p><b>Objective 2:</b> Encourage the community to support school readiness of children 0-4 (Carolyn Ellis, Gail Joley, Advocacy Committee)</p>
<p><b>Objective 3:</b> Participate with cross-sector stakeholders to support the implementation of the Georgetown County Achieves Together (GCAT) initiative to improve educational outcomes cradle to career. (Sally Garr Brodhead, Carolyn Ellis, Fedrick Cohens).</p>
<p><b>Objective 4:</b> Advocate for collecting information about each child’s pre-k education experiences along with that child’s score on the kindergarten readiness assessment (Fedrick Cohens, Amy Condon, Sally Garr Brodhead)</p>
<p><b>Goal 3: Champion Quality Health Care</b>  <b>Increase quality health care services for children 0-9.</b></p>
<p><b>Objective 1:</b> Provide support for the Health Care Collaborative for Children and Youth. (Pat Lowery, Celia Rutledge, Carolyn Ellis)</p>
<p><b>Objective 2:</b> Support the Early Childhood Physician’s Advisory Council (ECPAC) to advise the Early Learning Council and the office of the Tidelands Health Medical Staff (Carolyn Ellis, Sally Garr Brodhead).</p>
<p><b>Goal 4: Champion Community Leadership</b>  <b>Increase the ability of community leaders to advocate locally, statewide, and nationally for children 0-9 and their families.</b></p>
<p><b>Objective 1:</b> Develop and implement an outreach plan to better understand the Georgetown Community and its programs. (Carolyn Ellis, Fedrick Cohens, Pat Lowery,</p>

Gail Joley, Eunice Brown, Betsy Marlow, Amy Condon).

**Objective 2:** Support the Southern Georgetown Leadership Group (Madeleine Ritchie, Celia Rutledge, Sandra Johnson, Carolyn Ellis)

**Objective 3:** Monitor the status of legislation and regulations that may affect young children, and when appropriate meet with decision-makers regarding legislation and regulations (Advocacy Committee).