

# P-3 PARTNERSHIP PATHWAYS

## COLLECTIVE IMPACT PARTNERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

United Way of  
Lancaster County



## ASSESSING THE NEED

17%

of children living in poverty have access to high-quality pre-K

2,500

children in Lancaster County are eligible for Head Start

74%

of children assessed in Lancaster County on average are not kindergarten-ready



## OUR SOLUTION

P-3 (Prenatal - Grade 3) Partnership Pathways is a collective of school districts and early childhood providers united around the **goal of aligning two integral pieces of a child's educational success**: early learning from birth to age 5 and K-12 public education. The Partnership is focusing on coordinating the curriculum between early childhood education and K-12 education, as well as surrounding families with social services and supports with an intentional focus on trauma-informed services. This focus will be concentrated in four targeted school districts: Ephrata Area, Manheim Central, Penn Manor, and School District of Lancaster with a goal of expanding to other school districts. P-3 collaborators also want to **increase program options throughout the county with an emphasis on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) subjects.**

## BOLD GOAL ADDRESSED

**A** **B** **C** 100% of our children will enter kindergarten ready to learn.

# KEY PARTNERS

United Way of  
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## Community Action Partnership

COBYS Family Services

Ephrata Area School District

Lancaster County Early Intervention

Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13

Manheim Central School District

Penn Manor School District

Pequea Valley School District

School District of Lancaster

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United Way’s ‘Success By 6’ begins a decade of supporting transition to kindergarten practices between early childhood providers and school districts

2007

Lancaster Coalition to Combat Poverty uses P-3 structure to align poverty reduction activities

2013

2016

PA’s Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) funds local P-3 projects involving early childhood providers, school districts, and community partners

2018

United Way funds P-3 Partnership Pathways as a Collective Impact Partnership to formalize P-3 strategies throughout the county