Completing the PA KEI Implementation Process

1. Become familiar with the PA KEI indicators.

The KEI consists of 30 standards-based indicators from five key learning areas (Mathematics, English Language Arts, Social and Emotional Development, Health, Wellness and Physical Development, and Approaches to Learning through Play)

2. Plan how to systematically collect evidence based on kindergarten curriculum and activities.

The PA KEI is an observation-based assessment, designed to be implemented in conjunction with typical classroom activities. Sources of evidence might include, but are not limited to 1. results from typically administered assessments; 2. family input; 3. work samples; 4. observations; 5. Checklists; 6. input from other adults working with the student

3. Collect evidence during first 45 calendar days of the kindergarten school year.

The evidence collection period lasts from the first day a student enters the kindergarten classroom until the 45th calendar day of the kindergarten year.

4. Score each indicator for each student.

After observation of behaviors, teachers' record a student's skill level based upon the descriptions found under the skill levels of emerging, evident and exceeds. A student should be scored at the highest skill level demonstrated.

5. Review PA KEI web-based data system demographic information to assure it is correct.

It is important to ensure student demographic information has been verified as accurate within the system.

- 6. The PA KEI skill levels scores get entered into the PA KEI web-based Skill levels can be entered into the PA KEI web-based data system at any point (saved and accessed later.)
- 7. PA KEI indicator scores get finalized within the PA KEI web-based data system prior to the 60th day of the kindergarten school year. Student outcomes should be finalized no later than 60 calendar days from the start of the school year. Student outcomes are submitted and finalized through use of the web-based data system.

