

## ***Making Connections: Encouraging Mathematical Thinking in Early Childhood Education***

**August 21, 2013  
4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.**

### **Agenda**

- 3:15 p.m.–4:00 p.m.**      **Arrival and Registration**
- 4:00 p.m.–4:03 p.m.**      **Welcome and Introductions**
- Dean Gerdeman, Ph.D., director, Regional Educational Laboratory (REL) Midwest
- 4:03 p.m.–4:08 p.m.**      **Event Overview**
- ***Moderator:*** Eboni Howard, Ph.D., alliance lead, Early Childhood Education Research Alliance, REL Midwest
- 4:08 p.m.–4:23 p.m.**      **Discussion of Young Children’s Capacity to Learn and Understand Mathematics**
- Douglas H. Clements, Ph.D., Kennedy Endowed Chair in Early Childhood Learning and professor, University of Denver
  - Charlie Geier, director of Early Learning and Intervention, Indiana Department of Education
  - Dana Jones, Early Childhood Specialist, Indiana Department of Education
  - Ted Maple, Ph.D. chief executive officer, Day Nursery Association of Indianapolis, Indiana
- 4:23 p.m.–4:38 p.m.**      **Discussion of Putting Research Into Practice: Indiana’s Mathematics Standards for Birth to Age Five**
- Douglas H. Clements, Ph.D.
  - Charlie Geier
  - Dana Jones
  - Ted Maple, Ph.D.

**4:38 p.m.–4:53 p.m.**

**Discussion of Research-Based Mathematics Interventions and Evaluating Children’s Understanding of Mathematics Concepts**

- Douglas H. Clements, Ph.D.
- Charlie Geier
- Dana Jones
- Ted Maple, Ph.D.

**4:53 p.m.–4:55 p.m.**

**Concluding Remarks**

**5:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.**

**Mix and Mingle With Panel Members**