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Sharing strategies to increase research-based educational practices

Finding and evaluating education research can be challenging. Learn how REL Midwest is partnering with practitioners to make it easier for states, districts, and schools to use research to inform practice.

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Developing a sustainable training plan to help kindergarten teachers understand and support students' development

Building on a successful workshop series, REL Midwest and the Illinois State Board of Education are hosting train-the-trainer workshops to provide teachers with sustainable support in using the state's new kindergarten entry assessment.

[Read more](#) →

Resource roundup: The transition to kindergarten

The start of kindergarten is a key time to assess a child's developmental readiness for school. Check out these curated resources from across the RELs to learn about kindergarten entry assessments and what it means to be school ready.

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Ask A REL: What does the research say about culturally relevant education?

Our Ask A REL reference desk compiled recent research examining the relationship between culturally relevant education and student outcomes. Explore the citations to take a deep dive into the topic.

[Read more](#) → [Submit a question](#) →

Partnership spotlight: Midwest Alliance to Improve Teacher Preparation

We're featuring a different REL Midwest research alliance each month. Follow the links to learn how we are working with practitioners and policymakers in Michigan and the region to investigate the teacher pipeline and residency programs.

[View the alliance handout](#) → [Learn more](#) →

RSVP for upcoming events

Register now! All events are free and open to the public.

- **Nov. 14: Making It: Latino Students' Pathways to College** documentary screening produced with Detroit Public Television, Michigan State University, Lansing, Michigan [Register](#)
- **Early December (date and location TBD): Kindergarten: Where Play and Learning Can Meet** documentary screening, produced with WTTW (Chicago PBS)

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