

COUNTY OF



ALLEGHENY

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Dear AIU and Hi5 staff,

The Allegheny County Department of Human Services (DHS) has a long history of partnership with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit and is a strong supporter of your efforts to ensure that every child enters kindergarten on time and ready to learn.

Ten years ago, in partnership with the United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania and Trying Together, you brought together Allegheny County school districts and Head Start/PreK Counts programs to collaborate on **Hi5! Kindergarten Here I Come!**, an innovative strategy designed to promote kindergarten readiness and on-time registration. Your efforts have helped hundreds of young children make a successful transition into kindergarten.

DHS is lucky to have strong partners that support children and families, and the AIU is one of those partners. Congratulations on your 10-year Hi5 anniversary. Ten years of ensuring that kids are enrolled in and ready for kindergarten is quite an accomplishment.

With warm regards,



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