

# PAACT – Promising All Atlanta Children Thrive

## Vision Statement

*In the City of Atlanta, we are committed to the well-being of each and every young child and family. This commitment compels us to work together to ensure that all children starting at birth are healthy, learning, and developing so that they enter school ready for success, thrive once in school and are prepared to reach their full potential as citizens of our city.*

## Atlanta Values

In Atlanta, we are champions for children, and we respect and believe in each individual child's potential and promise.

In Atlanta, we are advocates for families and put them first in our decision-making.

In Atlanta, we are all neighbors and commit to working together to ensure all our children are healthy, supported and receive the foundational skills to live meaningful lives.

In Atlanta, we are all responsible for helping our children THRIVE in order for our city to be successful today and tomorrow.

## Guideposts – what does progress look like?

- **Families have** the information and **resources** needed to create safe, nurturing and enriching experiences that support children's early learning and healthy development.
- Children have **access to affordable, high-quality care and education environments**, either in or out of home, that support learning and development.
- Children receive **health services and proper nutrition** that enable them to thrive.
- **Data** across programs and agencies is **shared** and used to inform policies and practices that create opportunity for all children as well as measure and communicate progress to the community.
- **Public and private systems** are interconnected and **aligned** to provide effective support for families, children and programs that serve them
- **Resources** and funding are allocated in a manner to reach the needs of young children and families
- The **professionals** who care for our children are respected, well-trained and appropriately compensated
- There is a prolonged, sustained **commitment from** all sectors of **leadership** in the City of Atlanta who understand and champion the importance of the first eight years of a child's life.