

6M-9.115 Procedures and Criteria for Approval of School Readiness Plans.

(1) Plan development. Each early learning coalition shall develop and implement a school readiness plan. The school readiness plan shall include the minimum standards as required by Section 1002.85(2), F.S., and the School Readiness Plan Guide and Template, Form ~~DELOEL-SR 115~~; including attachment IV.A “Coalition Budget Report” and attachment IV.B. “Coalition Revenue and Expenditures Report,” (~~April 2022~~ October 2018), which ~~is~~ are adopted and hereby incorporated by reference. A copy of Form ~~DELOEL-SR 115~~ may be obtained at the ~~division office~~ website at www.floridaeearlylearning.com or by contacting the ~~Division Office~~ of Early Learning, Department of Education, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32399. The incorporated form is also available at: (placeholder for reference link) <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-09832>. Rule Chapter 69I-73, F.A.C. (March 2008), as cited in the School Readiness Plan Guide, is incorporated by reference. A copy of the rule chapter may be obtained by contacting the ~~Division Office~~ of Early Learning at the address above.

(2) Plan submission. A coalition shall submit its school readiness plan and any amendments in accordance with the instructions found in Form ~~DELOEL-SR 115~~.

(a) Each early learning coalition shall submit an electronic copy of its proposed school readiness plan to the ~~Division Office~~ of Early Learning (~~DEL~~~~OEL~~) within 30 days of board approval and before implementation.

(b) The coalition shall submit an amendment to the plan to the ~~division office~~ in the event of a change to any element of the approved plan and before implementation.

(3) ~~DELOEL~~ review. After receipt of a complete school readiness plan or amendment (including required supporting documents), ~~DELOEL~~ shall respond to the coalition within 3 business days acknowledging receipt of the plan amendment. ~~DELOEL~~ shall review the plan or amendment and approve, reject, or approve with conditions the provisions of the plan or amendment and provide written notification to the early learning coalition of its action within 30 business days of receipt of the completed document. ~~DELOEL~~ shall base its approval, rejection, or approval with conditions on the coalition’s compliance with chapter 1002, Part VI, F.S., the federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Block Grant Florida State Plan, the federal CCDF regulations located at Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations Part 98, Subparts B through G and K and the School Readiness Plan Guide. The coalition shall not implement school readiness plans or amendments without the express written approval of ~~DELOEL~~.

(4) Rejection of school readiness plans. If ~~DELOEL~~ rejects a school readiness plan or amendment, it shall specify, in writing, the grounds for rejection. If ~~DELOEL~~ rejects a school readiness plan amendment, the early learning coalition shall continue to operate under its prior approved plan.

Rulemaking Authority ~~1001.213(2)~~, 1002.85(1) FS. Law Implemented 1002.85 FS. History—New 4-5-15, Amended 5-28-17, 10-21-18; ~~XX-XX-22~~