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MEMORANDUM

TO: Early Learning Coalition Executive Directors, Early Learning Coalition Finance Directors and Redlands Christian Migrant Association Executive Director

FROM: Shan Goff, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Grants to Early Learning/Child Care Providers: Phase III – 2020-026

The Office of Early Learning is announcing Phase III grants which provide an additional \$16,886,271 in CARES Act support for Florida's early learning/child care providers.

Phase III: Reopening Support Grants for Contracted Early Learning/Child Care Providers (CLASS Exempt and VPK Providers)

Allocations to coalitions will support the 3,137 School Readiness (SR) and Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education providers, including CLASS Exempt contracted private providers and public/charter school providers, that were **closed on April 30, 2020, and have reopened or plan to reopen by August 31, 2020, consistent with local ordinances or restrictions.** (These providers were not included in Phase I or Phase II.) Allocations are based on Enhanced Field System Modernization (EFS Mod) data, with the exception, that funding for public/charter school providers is based on number of SR and VPK children served, not DCF capacity.

Attached is the revised COVID-19 Guidance 240.21 CARES funding which includes updated Provider Applications. These attachments also are in COVID-19 Support in the SharePoint Coalition Zone – <https://oelsp.floridaearlylearning.com/sites/coalitionszone/COVID19Support1/CARES%20Grants>

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Attachments: COVID-19 Guidance 240.21 - Crisis Emergency Funding Assistance for Early Learning/Child Care Providers
Attachment 3 – COVID-19 Grant Application: SR/VPK Provider
Attachment 4 – COVID-19 Grant Application: Non-Contracted Provider
Attachment 6 – CARES Phase III Allocations by Provider - Statewide

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