

A Collaborative Agency Directory

Frequently Asked Questions about Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK)

If you have questions about

- Approved curricula for providers on probation
- Approved trainings around the state
- Child Care Executive Partnership
- Child Care Resource and Referral Program
- Early Learning Coalition System
- Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards for Four-Year-Olds (2011)
- Florida’s Early Learning Advisory Council
- Head Start
- Locating the VPK regional facilitator in your area
- Professional development and articulation
- Quality Initiative trainings and workgroups
- School Readiness Program
- The Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener (FLKRS)
- The Florida Voluntary Prekindergarten Assessment
- Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Program
 - Eligibility and enrollment
 - Payments to providers
 - Monitoring programs
- VPK Director Endorsement
- VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rate Website
 - Getting a user name and password
 - Navigating the website
 - Resetting a password
 - Verification process
 - VPK Provider Readiness Rates
- VPK Provider Readiness Rate dispute process
- Warm line/inclusion
- What to do if you are a VPK provider on probation
 - VPK Provider on Probation (POP) Improvement Process
 - Completing/submitting a POP improvement plan

Contact

Florida Department of Education

Office of Early Learning

250 Marriott Drive

Tallahassee, FL 32399

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Website: www.floridaearlylearning.com

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R)

Telephone: 850-717-8550 Toll Free: 866-357-3239

Head Start – Lilli Copp – 850-717-8648

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If you have questions about

- Child care licensing
- Child care training requirements
 - Child care competency exams
 - Mandated training and credentials
 - Training exemptions
- Exemptions from licensure
- Opening a child care center
- Florida Child Care Professional Credential (FCCPC)
- Gold Seal Accreditation
- Submitting documentation for the staff credential, director credential and VPK endorsement of director credential
- VPK training requirements
 - VPK-related minimum lead teacher requirements
 - Equivalent credential for VPK instructors
 - VPK director credential requirements

Contact

Department of Children and Families (DCF)

Child Care Services

1317 Winewood Blvd., Bldg. 6, 3rd Floor
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0700

Telephone: 850-488-4900 Toll Free: 888-352-2842

Website: www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-care

- Background Screening and Child Care Training Information Center (toll free - Questions about background screening, child care training/credential applications, registering for competency exams)
 - James Cheatham, Credential Unit and Call Center Supervisor
 - Diane Harris, Background Screening Supervisor
- Licensing staff contact lists available on DCF website (*above*)
- To submit credential and VPK endorsement applications, send to
Credential Unit
1317 Winewood Blvd., Bldg. 6, 3rd Floor, Rm 389
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0700

If you have questions about

- Becoming a VPK provider
- Enrolling a child in a local VPK
- Local training opportunities
- Gold Seal Accreditation

Contact

Your local early learning coalition

Website: http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/OEL_Coalitions_Map