


July 8, 2021

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Title I Contacts

CCs: District VPK Contacts
District MIS Directors
Jacob Oliva, Chancellor, Public Schools

FROM: Shan Goff, Director 

SUBJECT: **Child Care/Early Learning Disaster Relief Payments to Instructors; Request for Title I Data – DEL Memo 2021-015**

Governor Ron DeSantis and the Florida Legislature authorized two qualified disaster relief payments to child care and early learning instructors affected by COVID in Specific Appropriation #80B of the 2021-22 General Appropriations Act (GAA) (Chapter 2021-036, Laws of Florida). These payments are provided to qualified instructors in recognition of their continuing service and dedication to Florida's children and families. Section 80B in the GAA provides:

The funds provided in Specific Appropriation 80B are provided to the Office of Early Learning to administer two bonuses to Florida's child care and early learning instructors totaling a net amount of \$1,000 each. Applications for the first bonus shall be available no later than July 1, 2021... Applications for the second bonus shall be available no later than January 1, 2022.

As indicated in Commissioner Corcoran's June 30, 2021 and Chancellor Oliva's July 2, 2021 correspondence, district Title I prekindergarten and Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education program instructors are eligible for these payments from the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)/Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Act (CRSSA) funds appropriated to the Office of Early Learning (now the Division of Early Learning (DEL)). Given that DEL administers the VPK program, we already have the listing of your district VPK director(s) and instructor(s). However, your assistance in identifying the district's Title I prekindergarten instructors is needed.

- Instructions for identifying district Title I prekindergarten instructors and method is provided in Attachment A.
- The data fields to be submitted for each eligible individual are displayed in the attached Excel template, provided in Attachment B.
- A district attestation to the accuracy of these data is provided in Attachment C.

We are requesting submission of these data **by July 16, 2021.**

Thank you for your assistance. Please feel free to contact me at shan.goff@oel.myflorida.com with any questions or email the help desk at disasterrelief@oel.myflorida.com.

Attachments (3)

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