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Online Training for Preschool Educators



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Online training opportunities for directors, teachers and assistants are offered online by the Division of Early Learning (DEL) and the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF). Registration for online courses are available on the DCF website: <https://training01-dcf.myflorida.com/student/site/admin/login.jsf>. The fee for each online course is \$10.00, paid at registration. Course completion and Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are viewed from the participant's transcript.



Emergent Literacy for VPK Instructors 2021 (VPK21)
5 hours; 0.5 CEUs

This course is recommended for all VPK instructors and directors. It is required for all VPK instructors with a Child Development Associate (CDA) or Florida Child Care Professional Certificate (FCCPC), consistent with section 1002.55, (3)(c)2, Florida Statutes. The goal of the 5-hour course is to provide participants with background information on emergent literacy and demonstrate instructional practices that can be used in VPK classrooms.

This course meets 5 hours of the emergent literacy course requirement for VPK educators.



English Language Learners in the VPK Classroom (VELL)
5 hours; 0.5 CEUs

This course is for VPK instructors, directors, and preschool staff to use as they develop culturally sensitive learning environments for children and build relationships with families who are English language learners. Although this course is designed with English language learners in mind, there are numerous best practices that can be used with all young children.



Language and Vocabulary in the VPK Classroom 2021 (LVPK21)
5 hours; 0.5 CEUs

This course is appropriate for VPK instructors, assistants and directors and provides instructional strategies for increasing language and vocabulary with young children. There are videos of VPK instructors implementing the strategies with children as well as activities and resources to support teachers as they begin to use the language and vocabulary strategies in their own classrooms.

This course meets 5 hours of the emergent literacy course requirement for VPK educators.



VPK Director Credential Course (DVPK)
5 hours; 0.5 CEUs

All directors of private VPK programs who have not earned a DCF Director Credential as of December 31, 2006, are required to complete this course as one of the components of the VPK Director Credential. Providers who were issued a DCF Director Credential prior to December 31, 2006, are exempt from this requirement but are encouraged to participate in the training. The importance of maintaining a balance between management and leadership in a VPK setting and how to establish a high quality VPK education program by creating and sustaining an effective learning environment is emphasized. Participants gain knowledge of effective research-based prekindergarten practices, understanding the importance of integrating the Florida Standards into instructional practices and exploring how an ongoing assessment directs instructional practices.

