

Welcome Providers!

Happy Provider Appreciation Week

We appreciate
your love, care,
and endless energy.



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Early Childhood Specialist Updates





**You know you're
a preschool
teacher when**

you can listen to a
story about a child's
weekend, comfort a
kiddo who broke her
LEGO creation,
oversee an art
project, guide two kids
through a conflict
over a book, and help
a child find his name
in the sign-in book.

**All at the same
time.**

FUN A DAY

Board Nominations

Indian River, Faith-Based Provider

Okeechobee, Private Provider



Program Quality

VPK Rules

6M-8.604: VPK Curriculum Approval Process (Effective 2/18/2025)

- Curriculum will be reviewed by a committee of approved applicants resulting in an updated Approve Curriculum List (Expected to be released in May 2025)

6M-8.622: VPK Provider Performance Metric and Designation (Effective 9/24/2024)

- VPK Providers will receive an annual designation following the close of the VPK school year (Excellent, Above Expectations, Meets Expectations, Below Expectations, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete)
- Providers Designated as Below Expectations or Unsatisfactory will be Providers on Probation
- Providers on Probation are required to submit a 3 part VPK Education Improvement Plan to Coalition

The Division of Early Learning is developing supplemental materials and guidance to assist coalitions and providers with implementation of the revised elements of the rules.

Unusual Incidents

Is this considered a reportable, unusual incident?



Water Main Breaks

Child broke arm at home

DCF violations

DCF Complaint Inspection

Director receives speeding
ticket in personal vehicle

Communicable Diseases

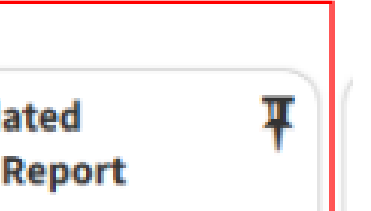
Child spots a double rainbow

When in doubt, give us a shout!

Unusual incidents must be reported verbally by close of business the following day and in writing by close of business by the 3rd day.

VPK PM3 Star Testing

- Download and Save as PDF Individual Star Screening Reports and Class Reports. These will NOT save into the 25-26 school year
- Individual Invitations to School District Summer Bridge Program



Consolidated Ranking Report

Student ID	Reading Score	Math Score	Science Score	Social Studies Score	Language Arts Score
1000000001	10	10	100	10	10
1000000002	10	10	10	10	10
1000000003	10	10	10	10	100
1000000004	10	10	10	10	10
1000000005	10	10	10	10	10
1000000006	10	10	10	10	10
1000000007	10	10	10	10	10
Average	10	10	100	10	10

The screenshot shows a "Consolidated Ranking Report" with a table of student scores across five subjects: Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts. The scores are mostly low (10) except for Science, which has a score of 100 for the first three students. A red box highlights the entire report area.

Must Select Your Site-Specific PM 3 Dates

Reporting Period

2024-2025 School Year

Custom...

2024-2025 School Year

Update Report

Select your PM3 custom dates and select the apply button.
Select the Update Report tab.

Reporting Period

2024-2025 School Year

Custom...

2024-2025 School Year

08/01/2024

to 07/31/2025

Apply

Cancel

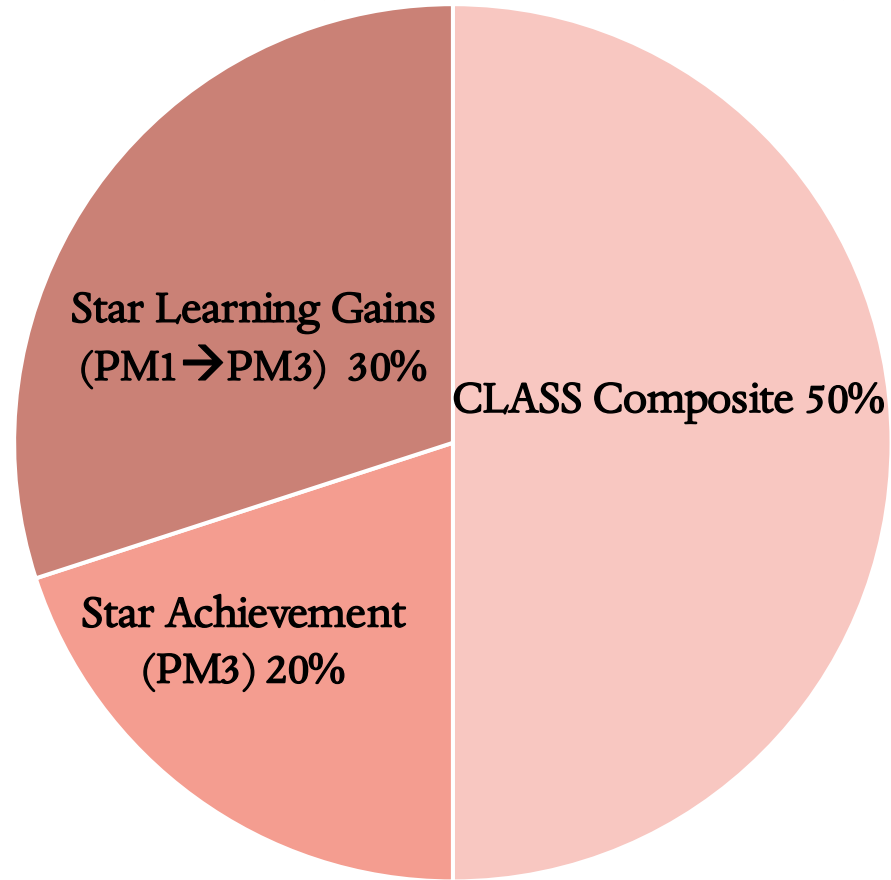
AUGUST 2024							SEPTEMBER 2024						
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30					

Download Data

Star Early Literacy		
2024-2025 School Year		
Number Below Percentile Rank (PR) - Proficiency Score		Rank
0		-
0		-
0		-
0		-
0		-
0		-
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0		-
0		-
1		1
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VPK Performance Designations

For assistance calculating your *projected* designation, contact your Quality Specialist or Kelly Dotts



■ CLASS Composite ■ Star Achievement ■ Star Learning Gains PM 1-→ PM3

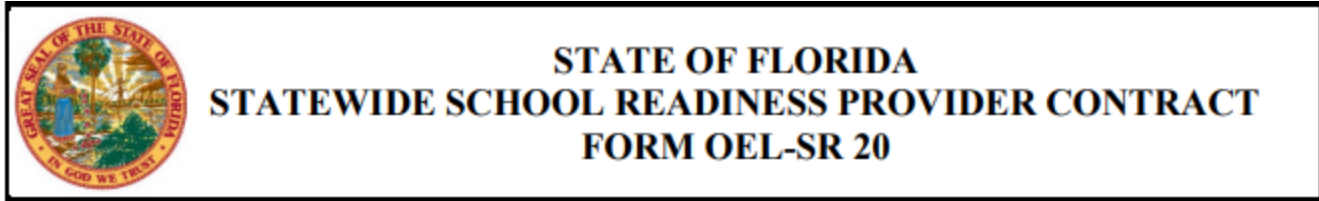
VPK Star Training

- ♦ Educator Academy- new Star training website
- ♦ Required: VPK FAST Star Early Literacy Test Administrator Training
- ♦ Suggested: Star Early Literacy Screening Data and Reports VPK training and Star Early Literacy Planning Targeted Instruction training
- ♦ Required Documentation:
 - ♦ VPK FAST Star Early Literacy Test Administrators certificate of completion or DCF Training Transcript
 - ♦ Upload signed copies of the (1) Test Administration and Security Agreement and (2) Test Administrator Prohibited Activities Agreement to Document Library in Portal. Electronic signatures are not accepted.



*Contact your Quality Specialist for more information

School Readiness



(3) Holidays and Staff Training Days.

(a) A recognized holiday as approved by the local coalitions shall not be counted as an absence for purposes of reimbursement.

Beginning July 1, 2025, the coalition must reimburse providers for up to thirteen (13) holidays per year as authorized in the Statewide School Readiness Provider Contract and in accordance with a child's authorized schedule. Of the thirteen (13) holidays, a provider must use at least one day for staff training. All staff training days must be approved by the coalition.

Providers can choose the date and the type of training

ELCIRMO will be offering (1) Conference per county as an option, more details to come.

Staff Training Day Form for approval

ELCIRMO will share examples of outside approved trainings

Finance



School Readiness Program Updates – Effective July 1, 2025

State-Approved Rule Amendments

The Florida State Board of Education has approved amendments to:

- Rule 6M-4.400
- Rule 6M-4.500

These changes:

- Support federal regulatory alignment
- Reflect recent updates to state statutes

Improve equity and efficiency in the School Readiness (SR) program

Rule 6M-4.400, F.A.C. – Required Parent Copayment

- Family size will no longer be used as a criterion to assess a parent copayment.
- The copayment will be assigned to **only one child and one enrollment** per household.
- Copayment is **capped at 7%** of household income.

Rule 6M-4.500, F.A.C. – Child Attendance and Provider Reimbursements

- Providers will be reimbursed according to a child's authorized schedule, including:
- Coalition-approved holidays: Reimbursement will now include one staff training day.
 - Different sites for concurrent enrollments
- The 4% quality performance differential (QPI) for scores between **4.50–4.99 will be removed.**

 **Important: Starting in contract year 2025–2026, this 4% QPI will be excluded from provider contracts.**

Please reach out to Sean Lewis, CFO, for any matters regarding Finance and Reimbursements at 772-223-3862 and slewis@elcirmo.org

2025-2026 Provider Profiles



Provider Profile Reminder

 Thank you to all providers who submitted their 2025–2026 Provider Profile Update.

 For those who have not submitted:

- Complete your profile in the Provider Portal ASAP.
- Ensure accuracy to avoid disruptions in services.

SR Provider Private Pay Rate Sheet

Part-Time (PT) Rate Clarification:

- If you do not offer part-time care (< 6 hours):
 - Indicate "Unavailable" in the portal.
 - Enter a \$0.00 rate for PT care under 6 hours.
 - A separate PT rate sheet is not required.



Need Help?

If you need further clarification with private pay rates:

- Call CCR&R Department (DEL): 1-866-357-3239
- Email: CCRRHelp@del.fldoe.org

Accuracy & Portal Entry:

- Make sure private pay rates entered in the portal match your official rate sheet.

- Use the portal option:

\$ SR Daily Rate Helper

"ONLY IF YOU ARE AN SR PROVIDER"

This ensures proper daily rate calculation.

Registration Fee:

- It is strongly recommended to:
 - Include your registration fee in the private pay rate sheet.
 - Verify the accuracy of all fee entries.

Giveaway Time!



Family Services

Parent and Provider forms are located on our website: <https://www.elcirmo.org/about-the-coalition/documents-and-forms/>

Remind families of upcoming deadlines (redeterminations/updates)

Families should call their assigned counselor if assistance is needed with logging into the portal.

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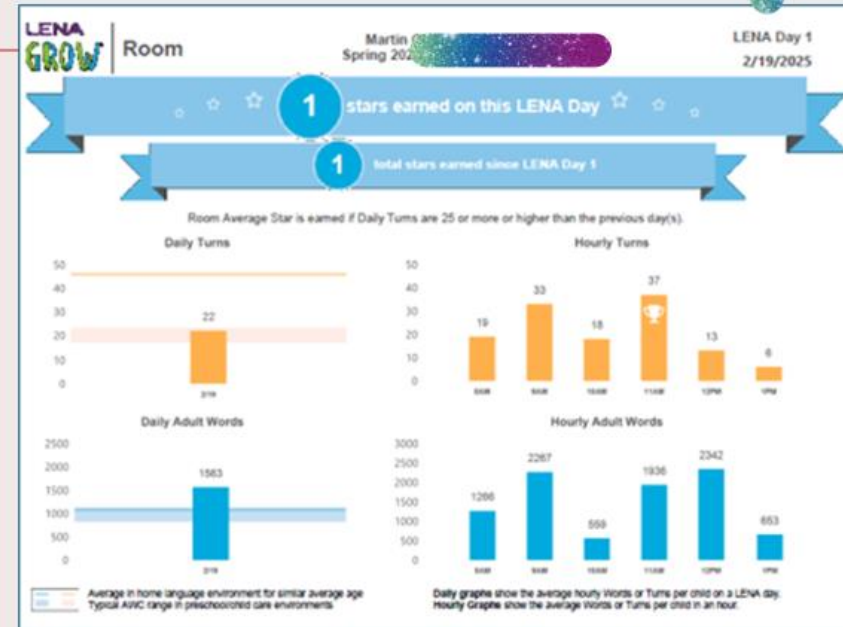
Early Childhood Specialists

Early Childhood Specialist

Congratulations to all our Early Educators on completing the Early Childhood Specialist Program for the 2024-2025 school year!

Thank you for your continued dedication and unwavering commitment to your students. Your passion and hard work make a lasting impact every day!





LENA IS COMING to Indian River County!





dear tired teacher,

When the expectations begin to feel impossible, remember that because of YOU, today someone smiled, learned something new, became more confident and felt loved. Don't give up.

