

Resource Development Committee

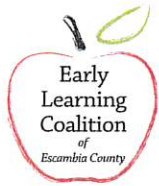
October 21, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Chair Roger Thompson

Agenda

1. Welcome, Call to Order, Approval of Agenda Chair
 - a. Notification of the Resource Development Committee meeting for October 21, 2025, was sent to the Pensacola News Journal for publication and posted to the Coalition Public Calendar Board on October 7, 2025.
2. Public Comments
3. Approval of meeting Agenda and Minutes of July 15, 2025 Chair
4. Community Partner Updates
 - a. ARC Gateway/Help Me Grow MaryAnn Bickerstaff/Teresa Zwierzchowski
 - b. CareerSource ESCAROSA Melinda Maiterth
 - c. DCF - Regulation Bambi Sealy
 - d. DCF – Community Development Melissa Sidoti
 - e. Escambia Children’s Trust Lindsey Cannon
 - f. Head Start Doug Brown
 - g. Pensacola State College Cindy Kirk
 - h. School District VPK Jessica Czuprynski
5. Program Reports
 - a. Medical Support Services Report Melissa Jennings
 - b. CCR&R Update Melissa Jennings
 - c. Program Support Summary Dawn Engel
 - d. SR/VPK Status Report and Contract Summary Bruce Watson
6. Old Business
 - a. SR Fiscal Year 2025-26 Funding Update Bruce Watson
 - b. Quality Funding Restrictions Bruce Watson
7. New Business
 - a. Recap of Early Learning Conference 28SEP25 Bruce Watson
 - b. Twenty Years of VPK Dawn Engel

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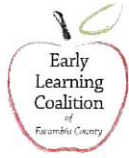


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| c. Ideas for ELC Twenty-fifth Anniversary Recognition | Bruce Watson |
| d. 2026 Meeting Calendar | Bruce Watson |
| e. Executive Director Resignation | Bruce Watson |
| f. Halloween Door Judging – Post Meeting | Bruce Watson |

Next Meeting: January 20, 2026 @ 10:00 a.m. will be at the Early Learning Coalition of Escambia County, Training Room (Fourth floor of Plaza Tower), 1720 West Fairfield Dr. Suite 100/400, Pensacola, FL 32501

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Early Learning Coalition of Escambia County

1720 West Fairfield Drive, Suite 100/400
Pensacola FL. 32501

DATE: October 7, 2025

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

A meeting of the legislatively mandated Early Learning Coalition of Escambia County's

Resource Development Committee will be held on Tuesday, 21st of October 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

at the

Joyce Griffin Room for Professional Development and Testing
Early Learning Coalition of Escambia County
1720 West Fairfield Drive, Suite 100/400
Pensacola, FL. 32501

The agenda and meeting materials will be posted to www.elcescambia.org.

For more information, or to receive an invite to the full virtual meeting, call or email:

Bruce Watson, Executive Director at (850) 607-7620 or askelc@elcescambia.org.

The meeting may be accessed by:

Joining the Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87513017377?pwd=enO9GQ48QSEkYnz7loyT5tXPeEBwH.1>

Meeting ID: 875 1301 7377

Passcode: 107216



Renee Maxwell

From: Renee Maxwell
Sent: Tuesday, October 7, 2025 10:28 AM
To: Pensacola News Journal (business@pnj.com)
Subject: Public Service Announcement October 2025

Good morning,

Please post the following October 2025 meeting in your free government meeting calendar for the Early Learning Coalition of Escambia.

Resource Development Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 10:00am.

The meeting will be held at the Early Learning Coalition of Escambia County at
1720 West Fairfield Drive Suite 100/400 Pensacola, FL. 32501

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Thank you.

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Resource Development Committee (RDC) Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

RDC Members in Attendance

Roger Thompson (Chair/Board)	Cindy Kirk (Board/PSC)
Melissa Sidoti (Board/DCF)	Tarae Donaldson (Board/ESCAROSA)
Bambi Sealy (Board/DCF)	Lindsey Cannon (Board/ECT)
Tammy Hicks (Board/Vice-Chair)	Debbie Tucker (Board/County Health Department)
Brian Wyer (Board/Gulf Coast Minority Chamber of Commerce)	
Jessica Czaprynski (Partner Member/ECSD)	

Coalition Staff in Attendance

Bruce Watson	Nina Daniels	Melissa Jennings
Renee Maxwell		

Providers and Non-RDC Member Partners in Attendance

Roselyn (Provider)	M. Hunt (Provider)	Tammy Gibson (Provider)
Vanna English (Provider)	Whittney Smiley (Provider)	
Victoria Jordan (Provider)	Lawanna Hamilton (Provider)	
Amy Philley (Provider)	Hitomi (Provider)	Dana Minchew (Provider)

Public in Attendance

None.

I. Welcome, and Call to Order

Notification of the Resource Development Committee meeting for July 15, 2025, was sent to the Pensacola News Journal for publication and posted to the Coalition's Public Calendar Board on July 1, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Mr. Thompson.

II. Public Comments

None.

III. Approval of Agenda and Minutes for April 22, 2025

Mr. Watson requested to amend the Agenda to add Fall 2024-2025 Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Results to New Business. Upon a motion made by Ms. Sidoti and seconded by Ms. Czaprynski, it was approved without objection to amend and approve the Agenda and the Minutes of April 22, 2025.

IV. Community Partner Updates

- a. ARC/Help Me Grow
 - No representative was available to report.



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- b. CareerSource ESCAROSA
 - Ms. Donaldson stated that she had nothing new to report.
- c. DCF – Regulation
 - Ms. Sealy stated that practitioners can now complete the 40-hour course for free. There is still a \$10 fee for the exam.
 - SR Readiness inspections have started for the FY 25-26.
- d. DCF - Community Development
 - Ms. Sidoti stated that she had nothing new to report.
- e. Escambia Children's Trust
 - Ms. Cannon stated that there have been 14 new grants issued through the Cares Grant Program.
 - Escambia County and ECT have come to an agreement over the tax money the County says the Trust owes. The Trust will directly fund the County's summer youth employment program and other child service initiatives that the County requested. In return, the County has agreed to provide data related to the children that they are serving.
 - The City of Pensacola has asked for CRA dollars in the amount of \$2.4 million. The City is also asking for late fees and interest. ECT has filed for an exemption with the City.
- f. Head Start
 - No representative was available to report.
- g. Pensacola State College
 - Ms. Kirk stated that classes start on August 18.
 - Ms. Kirk stated that online classes are full and that there are 186 students who signed up.
- h. Ready Kids!
 - No representative was available to report.
- i. School District VPK
 - Ms. Czaprynski stated that registration for VPK is in full swing at the school district. They expect to be completely full by the first day of school.

V. Program Reports

- a. Medical Support Services Report
 - Ms. Jennings reported that for the FY 24-25:
 - o 1,237 vision screenings were done, and 61 referrals were made.
 - o 1,348 hearing screenings were done, and 94 referrals were made.



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- b. CCR&R Update
 - Mr. Jennings reported that for FY 24-25:
 - o 604 new interviews were conducted.
 - o The Coalition participated in 24 outreach events.
 - o A total of 17,886 books were distributed.
 - o Lobby Events are now posted on the ELC website.
- c. Program Support Summary
 - Mr. Watson provided the following for FY 24-25:
 - o There was a total of 52 trainings conducted with a total of 617 participants.
 - o There was a total of 128 classroom assessments performed.
 - o There was a total of 27 Corrective Action Plans implemented.
 - o ELC will be partnering with UWF and planning to hold an Early Learning Conference in the Fall.
- d. SR/VPK Status Report and Contract Activity Summary

There are 2,516 children enrolled in the School Readiness Program of which 58 are SRMAT and 881 are school-age children. There are 260 children on the Wait List. There are 1,371 children approved for VPK for 2025/26 Program year.

There are 80 SR providers and 68 VPK providers.

VI. Old Business

- a. SR Fiscal Year 2024-25 Funding Update

All SR and VPK Advance money was expended with the May 2025 Invoice. For VPK this was planned, but for SR and SR Plus this was done because the DEL required all SR and SR Plus advances to be returned with the May invoice. To help ensure expenditure reimbursements were more than advances the DEL approved including any non-direct expenses already paid or obligated in June be included in the May 2025 invoice. There will not be a June or a thirteenth invoice for 2024-2025 for SR and SR Plus services or expenditures. This was done so that the balance of unexpended but allocated SR and SR Plus funds could be reverted and reappropriated to the Coalition for use in Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Payment for the June Service Period of SR and SR Plus will be made by doing a Prior Year Invoice in 2025-2026. The amounts reverted were \$2,560,523 for SR and \$184,588 for SR Plus. Approximately \$1.4 million of the reverted funds were used to pay for June SR. June SR Plus services have not been invoiced because the reverted funds have yet to be fully reallocated and no funds for SR Plus were allocated in the first NOA for FY 2025-2026.

VII. New Business

- a. SR Fiscal Year 2025-26 Funding Update



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The first Notice of Award for 2025-2026 has been released. The total SR allocations for the fiscal year is \$16,368,553.

b. Quality Funding Restrictions/Program Cuts

Gold Seal funding has been added back into the SR funding under direct services for FY 2025-2026 which will reduce the total amount that can be used for SR child services. The overall reduction will affect the number of quality initiatives that can be funded by the Coalition.

c. Discussion on Enrollment Options

The following funding/enrollment scenarios for the FY 2025-2026 Funding are provided for review:

1. At the FY2024-2025 year end funding amount of \$18.3 million, the Coalition can support about 2,500 children.
2. The Legislature has proposed allocating ELC Escambia \$15.8 million. This would only support 2,000 children in care. A reduction in enrollment of 500 children would have to be initiated almost immediately.
3. The reverted funding should result in an increase in funding for 2025-2026 of just over \$1.5 million. This addition funding could support 2,200 children in care. This would result in a reduction of about 300 children.
4. The AELC has proposed a plan named the Compression Scenario where all the reverted funds are redistributed based on need. This would potentially increase Coalition funding by an additional \$500,000. This would support 2,300 children in care. This would result in a reduction of about 150 children.

d. Kindergarten Readiness Rates

A summary of the Kindergarten Readiness for the 2023-2024 VPK program year was provided for discussion.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

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Med Support Monthly Report 2025-2026[illegible]

Community Impact Data Report
2025-2026 Fiscal Year

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SR/VPK Status Report as of 10/06/2025

SR Children Currently Enrolled by Age by Funding as of 10/13/2025

	Pri 1		Pri 2/3		Pri 4/5	Pri 6/7						
FUNDER	TANF	TANF WKG	PS	PS-RCG	TCC	ECON	TOTALS LESS SRMAT	SRMAT	TOTALS WITH SRMAT	MISSING	GRAND TOTALS	SR PLUS
BILLING CODE	BG3	BG3W	BG1	BG3R	BG5	BG8						
INFANT	1	0	19	0	1	61	82	1	83	0	83	0
TODDLER	0	0	42	0	2	163	207	16	223	0	223	2
2YR	1	0	52	0	0	234	287	9	296	1	297	4
PR3	3	0	36	2	0	272	313	13	326	0	326	1
PR4	2	0	28	2	0	280	312	4	316	2	318	4
PR5	0	0	5	0	0	31	36	0	36	0	36	0
SCHOOL AGE	9	0	73	7	2	921	1012	18	1030	0	1030	2
TOTAL BY FUNDER	16	0	255	11	5	1962	2249	61	2310	3	2313	13

School Age Children	PT/FT	FT hol/brk
1030	869	161

Wait List Update as of 10/13/2025 FY 25/26				Wait List Activity Update Wait list 25-26					
Information by Child				Applied	Children	Notice	Applied	Children	Notice
Pri 6: Birth to Sch Age		330		05/05/25-05/11/25	34	1	09/29/25-10/05/25	6	1
Pri 6a: 5-12 Children with Pri 6 Siblings	72			05/12/25-05/18/25	37	10	10/06/25-10/12/25	17	1
Pri 7b: 5-9 Children w/ No Pri 6 Siblings	30			05/19/25-05/25/25	34	1			
Pri 7c: 10-12 Other Children	11			05/26/25-06/01/25	20	4			
SRMT	56			06/02/25-06/08/25	23	1			
				06/09/25-06/15/25	16	1			
				06/16/25-06/22/25	17	3			
Total on Wait List		499		06/23/25-06/29/25	23	5			
				06/30/25-07/06/25	23	2			
Week of 10/06/25-10/12/25				07/07/25-07/13/25	28	2			
Total New Enrollments		18		07/14/25-07/20/25	25	4			
Total Redeterminations		29		07/21/25-7/27/25	18	4			
Total Re-Enrollments		1		07/28/25-08/03/25	19	2			
Total Terminations		35		08/04/25-08/10/25	7	4			
				08/11/25-08/17/25	12	1			
				08/18/25-08/24/25	16	6			
				08/25/25-09/01/25	12	0			
				09/02/25-09/07/25	14	1			
				09/08/25-09/14/25	10	0			
				09/15/25-09/21/25	21	1			
				09/22/25-09/28/25	11	1			
				Total	420	54	Total	23	2

Total Less SRMAT	SRMAT	Total WL
443	56	499

School Readiness Data by Fiscal Year 25/26									
FY 24/25	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAY JUN
New Enrollments	59	93	47						
Redeterminations	151	114	135						
Re-Enrollments	23	21	12						
Terminations	116	132	104						

VPK 25/26 Program Year				
Adhoc Reports	Submitted	Approved	Enrolled	Rejected
School Year	0	1841	1456	108
Summer	0	1	0	4

ELC ESCAMBIA FY24/25 WAIT LIST PULL RESULTS SUMMARY

		Family/Parent Data								Transition Data (Waiting for Provider) - Note 1										Child Data		
Pull Date	Applied Range	Families In Pull	No Purpose for Care	Over Income	Declined Services	No Provider Chosen	Elig Started Not Complete	No Response	Families Enrolled	Families Wtg Provider	Child Wtg for Provider	Children Waiting for Provider by Age Group								# Children In Pull	# Children Enrolled	% Children Enrolled
												Inf	1	2	3	4	5	Sch				
Wait List Pulls Greater Than 60 Days																						
10/16/24	01/8/24-02/18/24	25	0	4	0	0	4	0	17										45	26	58%	
11/06/24	02/19/24-04/14/24	27	0	1	1	0	7	4	14										47	22	47%	
11/13/24	04/15/24-06/02/24	37	0	2	2	0	9	2	20	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	65	32	49%	
11/19/24	06/03/24-06/16/24	23	0	3	0	0	4	5	11										44	17	39%	
11/20/24	06/17/24-08/04/24	91	1	5	4	0	22	13	42	4	12	0	2	0	3	1	0	6	166	71	43%	
12/30/24	8/5/24-9/1/24	66	1	0	0	0	23	9	33										114	62	54%	
1/7/2025	9/2/25-9/15/25	23	0	0	0	0	8	2	11	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	34	14	41%	
01/14/25	09/16/24-9/29/24	31	0	0	2	0	10	4	15										53	20	38%	
01/23/25	Srmt pull-Econ	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3										5	5	100%	
01/29/25	09/30/24-10/6/24	18	0	0	1	0	7	2	7	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	32	9	28%	
02/06/25	10/07/24-10/20/24	17	0	0	0	0	6	3	8										26	14	54%	
02/24/25	10/21/24-12/15/24	61	1	0	4	0	22	9	22	3	7	0	1	0	3	1	0	2	108	41	38%	
02/26/25	12/16/24-1/12/25	36	0	1	1	0	6	4	23	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	55	30	55%	
03/05/25	1/13/25-2/2/25	27	1	0	1	0	7	7	11										52	18	35%	
03/25/25	02/03/25-02/16/25	34	1	1	0	0	6	9	14	3	5	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	53	17	32%	
04/15/25	02/17/25-03/02/25	22	0	0	1	0	6	4	10	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	46	18	39%	
04/16/25	03/03/25-04/13/25	62	0	0	3	0	8	12	36	3	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	108	60	56%	
04/30/25	04/14/25-04/27/25	18	0	0	0	0	3	1	14										33	25	76%	
05/07/25	04/28/25-05/04/25	11	1	0	0	0	1	0	8	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	34	18	53%	
05/14/25	RMT qualified as Eco	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	3	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	20	16	80%	
Wait List Pulls Greater Than 30 Days Less Than 60 Days																						
Over 30 Response Totals		645	6	17	20	0	159	90	328	24	46	3	5	7	7	4	0	20	1140	535	47%	
Family Response Percentage		45%	1%	3%	3%	0%	25%	14%	51%	4%												
Wait List Pulls Less Than 30 Days																						
Under 30 Response Totals		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Family Response Percentage		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!												
10/13/2025		Note 1: Transition data is not counted in Families or Child Data.																				

PS CHILDREN PENDING PROVIDER

DATE	COUNT	DATE	COUNT	DATE	COUNT	DATE	COUNT	DATE	COUNT	DATE	COUNT
05/12/25	99	05/27/25	67	06/09/25	61	06/23/25	64				
05/19/25	94	06/02/25	93	06/16/25	63	06/30/25	63				

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Wait List Pulls Greater Than 60 Days																						
01/23/25	1/8/24-2/18/24	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	7											10	8	80%
01/29/25	02/19/24-03/03/24	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	1											5	1	20%
02/06/25	03/04/24-04/07/24	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		4	0	0%
02/11/25	04/08/24-05/05/24	5	0	0	1	0	0	2	2											6	2	33%
02/26/25	05/06/24-06/09/24	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	2											7	3	43%
03/05/25	6/10/24-7/7/24	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	4											12	8	67%
03/11/25	7/8/24-8/4/24	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0		8	4	50%
03/25/25	08/05/24-9/15/24	11	0	0	0	0	1	5	5											14	5	36%
04/15/25	09/16/24-10/27/24	15	0	0	0	0	2	8	2	3	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0		18	3	17%
04/16/25	Econ pull qual as Srm	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	2											6	2	33%
04/30/25	10/28/24-11/17/24	17	0	2	0	0	1	4	8	2	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1		21	9	43%
05/07/25	11/18/24-11/24/24	7	0	0	1	0	0	3	3											9	3	33%
05/14/25	11/25/24-5/4/25	63	0	0	3	0	14	18	24	4	5	0	2	0	0	1	1	1		85	31	36%
Wait List Pulls Greater Than 30 Days Less Than 60 Days																						
Over 30 Response Totals		151	0	2	7	0	20	48	63	11	13	1	2	5	0	2	1	2		205	79	39%
Family Response Percentage		51%	0%	1%	5%	0%	13%	32%	42%	7%												
Wait List Pulls Less Than 30 Days																						
Under 30 Response Totals		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0%
Family Response Percentage		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!												
Report Date: 10/13/2025		Note 1: Transition data is not counted in Families or Child Data.																				

Contract and Fraud Summary Report FY25-26 (3) (1)

ACTIVE SCHOOL READINESS PROVIDERS						
	FY 2025-2026					
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	Providers Added	Providers Removed	Current Total
LFCCH	14	14	15	0	0	15
RFCCH	4	6	7	0	0	7
Licensed Center	56	52	52	0	0	52
Licensed Exempt Center	10	8	8	0	0	8
After School Only	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Active SR Providers	84	80	82	0	0	82

NEW CONTRACTED SCHOOL READINESS PROVIDERS					
	FY 2025-2026				
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	New Contracts	Total New Contracts
Homes (LFCCH & RFCCH)	2	3	2	0	2
Licensed Center	5	3	1	0	1
Licensed Exempt Center	0	3	0	0	0
After School Only	0	0	0	0	0
Total New SR Contracts	7	9	3	0	3

PROVIDER SR CONTRACT TERMINATIONS						
	FY 2025-2026					
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	New Terms	Termination Reasons	Current Total
LFCCH	0	1	0	0		0
RFCCH	2	0	0	0		0
Licensed Center	2	7	1	0		1
Licensed Exempt Center	2	4	0	0		0
Total Provider Choice Terminations	6	12	1	0		1

COALITION SR CONTRACT TERMINATIONS						
	FY 2025-2026					
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	New Terms	Termination Reasons	Current Total
Licensed	1	0	0	0		0
Exempt	0	1	0	0		0
Registered FCCH	0	0	0	0		0
Total Coalition Contract Terminations	1	1	0	0		0

TOTAL CONTRACT TERMINATIONS	7	13	1	0		1
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Termination Reason Key	
1= Provider Choice - Retired	8= Insurance Non-Compliance
2= Provider Choice - Low enrollments	9= VPK Improvement Plan Non-Compliance
3= Provider Choice - No reason given	10= Fraud Referral
4= Change in status (i.e. Licensed)	11= VPK -No VPK Director
5= Contract Non-Compliance	12= Prior Year Contract Non-Renewal
6= DEL/ELC Policy Non-Compliance	13= Provider Required to Close
7= ASQ Non-Compliance	

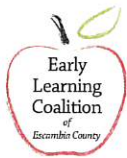
Contract and Fraud Summary Report FY25-26 (3) (1)

ACTIVE VPK PROVIDERS						
			FY 2025-2026			
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	Providers Added	Providers Removed	Current Total
Licensed	44	41	42	0	0	42
Licensed Exempt	12	10	9	0	0	9
School District	16	16	16	0	0	16
Total Active VPK Providers	72	67	67	0	0	67
NEW CONTRACTED VPK PROVIDERS						
		FY 2025-2026				
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	New Contracts	Total New Contracts	
Licensed	2	2	1	0	1	
Licensed Exempt	1	1	0	0	0	
Total New VPK Contracts	3	3	1	0	1	
PROVIDER VPK CONTRACT TERMINATIONS						
		FY 2025-2026				
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	New Terms	Termination Reasons	Current Total
Licensed Center	4	4	0	0		0
Licensed Exempt Center	0	3	1	0		1
Total Provider Choice Terminations	4	7	1	0		1
COALITION CONTRACT TERMINATION						
		FY 2025-2026				
Provider Type	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Previous Total	New Terms	Termination Reasons	Current Total
Licensed	1	1	0	0		0
Exempt	0	0	0	0		0
Total Coalition Contract Terminations	1	1	0	0		0
TOTAL CONTRACT TERMINATIONS	5	8	1	0		1
Total VPK Only Providers	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26
	34	37	39	35	35	32
Fraud Summary						
Pending Action	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Total Cases	0	0	6	16	20	5
Active Client	0	0	5	3	2	2
Active Provider	0	0	0	0	0	0
Restitution Submitted	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$154,280.00	\$2,827,972.29	\$2,607,730.86	\$118,051.88
Pending Client	3	0	5	14	20	2
Pending Provider	0	0	0	1	1	0
Potential Restitution	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$152,811.00	\$2,827,972.29	\$2,996,311.50	\$118,051.88
Closed or Adjudicated	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Client	0	0	1	3	9	0
Provider	0	0	0	0	0	0
Restitution Ordered	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Restitution Ordered Prior to July 2015	\$174,566.00					

Scenario 1: Children that can be served with 2025-2026 Initial Allocation, Reverted and Compression Funding

Rates Center-Based Care Per Day Effective July 1, 2024 without Gold Seal Differential (see note* below)

ELC Escambia Funding and Enrollment Analysis - FY 2025-2026									
Scenario 2: Amount required year remaining to return to FY-24-25 EOY enrollment number of 2541 children									
SR Funding from NOA Dated August 25, 2025									
Rates Center-Based Care Per Day Effective July 1, 2024 without Gold Seal Differential (see note* below)									
Age Group	Care Code	Description	Base Rate	Number of Children	Total Cost Per Day	Children Enrolled 13OCT25	Children Enrolled 30JUN25		
Infant	INF	<12 mth	\$ 48.60	112	\$ 5,443.20	83	119		
Toddler	TOD	12 <24 mth	\$ 39.79	252	\$ 10,027.08	223	229		
Two	2YR	24 <36 mth	\$ 36.79	326	\$ 11,993.54	297	324		
Three	PR3	36 <48 mth	\$ 29.00	355	\$ 10,295.00	326	352		
Four	PR4	48 <60 mth	\$ 28.00	347	\$ 9,716.00	318	364		
Five	PR5	60 <72 mth	\$ 27.00	65	\$ 1,755.00	36	266		
School Age	SCH	In School-PT	\$ 18.05	944	\$ 17,039.20	915	746		
Special Needs	SPCR	Special Needs	\$ 58.32	0	\$ -	0	0		
		Child count cost per day		2401	\$ 66,269.02				
School Age	SCH	In School-FT	\$ 24.00	144	\$ 3,456.00	115	141		
		Total Children		2545		2313	2541		
Child count as funding allows				Work Days Left in Year	194				
Avg Work Days/Month			22	Ho/Brk Days Left in Year	57				
Avg Ho/Brk Days/Month			7.5	Avg Cost/Month	\$ 1,483,838.44			Action to be taken: Decrease children served evenly by care level to balance budget	
								Increase per age group	
							29		
Estimated Requirements				Total Direct Services	\$ 13,053,181.88			Total Children Still to be Increased	
Reg Fee Est = \$80,000/year minus actual year to date				SR Reg Fee/9 Mth Est.	\$ 51,115.00			Total to Draw Down from 1JUL25	
Parent fee Est. = Avg \$/person/day x days remaining				Parent Fee/9 Mth Est.	\$ 1,537,662.40			Parent fee est: Avg/child/day 1/2 year + 1/2 year est. % income/family	
Parent fee average FT = \$2.80 per person per day				Services less Parent fees	\$ 11,566,634.48				
Parent fee average PT = \$2.20 per person per day				SR Services to Date (SEP)	\$ 3,395,662.42			Notes:	
NOA Non Direct 22% = (1)				Non Direct to Date (SEP)	\$ 697,566.59			(1) Nondirect maximum from 25AUG25 NOA.	
ELC Non Direct Budget =				Non Direct Remaining	\$ 2,603,033.41				
				Total Est. Requirements	\$ 18,262,896.90				
Estimated and Actual Funding Available				FY 25-26 Grant Amount (2)	\$ 19,443,682.00			(2) Funding available is current FY 25-26 NOA funding.	
NOA 01JUL25				Local Match Funding	\$ 238,875.00				
				Less Gold Seal (3)	\$ (368,944.00)			(3) Gold Seal now included in total SR NOA	
				SR Used to pay JUN25 (4)	\$ (1,381,265.00)			(4) Reverted funding applied to June 2025 SR Services.	
				Est. QPI/GS Shortfall (5)	\$ (489,650.07)			(5) Projected QPI and GS Shortfall (see below F41+F45)	
				Estimated SR Funding	\$ 17,442,697.93				
				Estimated Balance (6)	\$ (820,198.97)			(6) Projected \$ required to return to FY24-25 EOY child #.	
Related Funding Impacts									
QPI NOA =	\$ 868,415.00			Est. QPI Remaining (7)	\$ 978,988.64			(7) QPI estimates use average 7% for all providers.	
QPI % to date	26%			Actual QPI to Date	\$ 228,095.75				
QPI Separate funding allocation				Total QPI Estimate (8)	\$ 1,207,084.39			(8) Note QPI est. is over \$200,000 more than allocation for 25/26.	
				QPI Shortfall	\$ (338,669.39)				
Gold Seal NOA =	\$ 368,944.00			Gold Seal Estimate (9)	\$ 498,475.06			(9) Gold Seal Estimate as of 31JUL25	
GS % to date	35%			Actual GS to Date	\$ 129,981.17				
Gold Seal now included in total SR NOA				GS Estimate for Year (10)	\$ 519,924.68			(10) Actual to date/paid months times 12	
				Estimated GS Shortfall	\$ (150,980.68)				



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MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents
Early Learning Coalition Executive Directors

FROM: Cari Miller, Chancellor of Early Learning

DATE: September 12, 2025

SUBJECT: Florida's Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program Celebrates 20th Birthday

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The Florida Department of Education's Division of Early Learning (DEL) proudly commemorates a historic milestone in Florida's Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) program – 20 years of empowering young learners to enter kindergarten ready for school.

Florida was one of the first states in the country to offer free prekindergarten for all 4-year-olds regardless of family income. Since its launch in 2005, more than 3.1 million children have benefited from the VPK program. State data confirm that children who participate in VPK are much more prepared to enter kindergarten ready for school, setting them on a path to learn, graduate and succeed.

DEL is excited to celebrate the VPK program's 20th birthday with the state's early learning coalitions, VPK providers, partners and families. DEL offers a [VPK 20th Birthday Toolkit](#) to encourage statewide participation. The toolkit includes suggested classroom activities, family activities, social media posts, printable posters and banners.

Join us in celebrating VPK's 20th birthday!

For questions, contact the Division of Early Learning at VPKQuestions@del.fldoe.org.

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Board Meeting Dates for 2026 Time 10:00 a.m.

February 12, 2026	May 14, 2026	August 13, 2026	November 12, 2026
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Executive/Finance Committee Dates for 2026 Time 9:00 a.m.

January 22, 2026	March 26, 2026	April 23, 2026	June 25, 2026
July 23, 2026	September 24, 2026	October 22, 2026 Code of Ethics	November 19, 2026

Resource Development Committee 2026 Time 10:00 a.m.

January 20, 2026	April 21, 2026	July 21, 2026	October 20, 2026
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October 1, 2025