

October 14, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors, Florida's Early Learning Coalitions and Redlands Christian Migrant Association

FROM: Rodney J. MacKinnon, Executive Director



SUBJECT: **Administrative Memorandum 2016-22**

We are pleased to provide the following information that contains notifications of interest. Please distribute to others as appropriate.

<u>TITLE, SUMMARY AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, IF APPLICABLE</u>	<u>ACTION REQUIRED</u>
<p><u>Rule 6M-4.260, Health and Safety Checklists and Inspections</u></p> <p>The State Board of Education (SBOE) has approved Rule 6M-4.620, Health and Safety Checklists and Inspections.</p> <p>This rule requires at least one annual Health and Safety inspection for all child care providers that contract for School Readiness (SR). It is anticipated the rule will take effect on or around October 24, 2016, and Health and Safety inspections of SR providers will begin mid-November 2016.</p> <p>The Office of Early Learning has scheduled five training and guidance webinars for SR providers and their staff to explain and discuss the new regulations. The dates and times for the webinars are listed below. The same information will be shared on each webinar, so please register for only one of the scheduled times.</p> <p>The text of the rule, as approved by SBOE, can be reviewed at the following link http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/oel_resources/rules_guidance_technical_assistance/proposed_rules.aspx</p> <p>— Tues., Oct. 18, 2016, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., or until business is concluded. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1817925206538012675</p> <p>— Tues., Oct. 18, 2016, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., or until business is concluded.</p>	<p><u>IMPORTANT</u></p> <p>Please share this important information with your School Readiness staff and program providers.</p>

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<p>https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3735517465844489731</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Wed., Oct. 19, 2016, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., or until business is concluded. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5697760892354958083 — Thurs., Oct. 27, 2016, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., or until business is concluded. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6940852246044126723 — Thurs., Oct. 27, 2016, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., or until business is concluded. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1314031122156286467 	
<p><u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program</u></p> <p>Two FAQ documents are attached related to the VPK topics as listed below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Attachment 1 – Rule 6M-8.201, F.A.C., Child Enrollment Procedure for the VPK – <i>For VPK Providers and Early Learning Coalitions</i> – Attachment 2 – Postponing VPK Enrollment – <i>For Parents</i> <p>For more information or technical assistance, please contact the Office of Early Learning’s VPK unit at 1-866-447-1159 or email VPKquestions@oel.myflorida.com.</p>	<p>Please share with your staff, providers and parents, as applicable.</p>
<p><u>School Readiness Rules Public Hearing Information</u></p> <p>A public hearing is scheduled for the SR eligibility rules as listed below. We welcome your participation and value your input on the proposed changes.</p> <p><u>6M-4.200, 6M-4.208, 6M-4.209 School Readiness Eligibility Rules</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Mon., Oct. 17, 2016, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., or until business is concluded. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5271286719972893441 <p><u>6M-4.400 Required Parent Co-Payment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Mon., Oct. 17, 2016, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., or until business is concluded. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5271286719972893441 <p>Rule text can be found on our website at http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/statewide_initiatives/laws_and_rules/proposed_rules.aspx. Please note, all materials will be in “Draft” form.</p> <p>If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Katerina Maroney at 850-717-8614 or email Katerina.Maroney@oel.myflorida.com</p>	<p>Please share the public hearings with your staff and interested stakeholders.</p>

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