



**EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF THE NATURE COAST
SERVING CITRUS, DIXIE, GILCHRIST, LEVY AND SUMTER COUNTIES**

PROVIDER ALERT #35

Date: August 5, 2008

Subject: Request for Information. This request is CRITICAL to the continuation of the TIP Program.

On July 30, 2008, the Early Learning Coalition sent out Provider Alert #34 notifying providers of the decision made by the Citrus, Tri-County, and Sumter County Advisory Councils that directs staff to research information for the TIP Program.

Listed below is the information requested by the Advisory Councils. Please respond to each of the criteria below listing what your provider type is, your official licensed capacity, what your teachers' wages are based upon their credentials and experiences, and what county your center is located in.

- 1) Provider Type
 - a. Licensed Center
 - b. Licensed Gold Seal Center
 - c. Family Day Care Home
 - d. Regular Home Day Care
 - e. Public School System
 - f. Licensed Exempt/Faith Based
- 2) Provider Size
 - a. Official Licensed Capacity
- 3) Wages based upon teacher credentials and experiences
 - a. Beginning Teachers
 - b. State Mandated Training within one year
 - c. FCCPC (Florida Childcare Professional Certification)
 - d. CDA National
 - e. AS/AA
 - f. BS/BA
 - g. Masters
- 4) Provider Location
 - a. Citrus County
 - b. Dixie County
 - c. Gilchrist County
 - d. Levy County
 - e. Sumter County

The joint council has scheduled a second meeting for August 22, 2008. Therefore, all information is due to the Coalition by August 15, 2008 at 5:00pm.

Please forward all information to Desirae Rickman at drickman@elc-naturecoast.org

Thank you.
Desirae Rickman