



Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast

Serving Citrus – Dixie – Gilchrist – Levy – Sumter Counties

Provider Alert #80

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Subject: School Readiness Provider Agreements

The Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast Contracts and Compliance office is located at 1564 N. Meadowcrest Blvd. in Crystal River. The department holds and maintains all School Readiness Agreements for providers in Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, Citrus and Sumter Counties.

Current ELCNC School Readiness Provider Agreements will expire on June 30, 2010 and new School Readiness Provider Agreements will need to be signed prior to the Fiscal Year 2010-11 with effective date July 1, 2010. All providers wishing to contract with the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast must sign this new agreement.

Background Information:

With the Coalition taking on Direct Services, the School Readiness Agreement language needs to be updated to include additional Direct Services information. The Coalition has determined it would be more efficient and effective to process a new Agreement than process additional amendments to the current Agreements.

Additional Information:

To expedite the process and assist providers with signing the new Agreements, the Coalition's Contracts and Compliance Office will be setting appointments and meeting with providers in the Bushnell office for Sumter County, the Chiefland office for Dixie, Gilchrist and Levy Counties, and the ELCNC Contract and Compliance Office for Citrus County. The appointments will be scheduled beginning in late April and into May.

Coalition staff will begin contacting providers by telephone starting late February to determine if there are any changes to be made to their current notarized rates, holidays or other information in preparation for the new Agreements.

Please note that the Contracts and Compliance office will assist in the preparation of the School Readiness Agreement in advance of the appointment thus expediting the process for the provider.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Contracts and Compliance Office at 352-563-9939 ext 223, 230 or 234.

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