

The Board of Directors of the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast includes representatives of primary agencies that work with and serve children and their families, private and faith-based early education and care providers, the Boards of County Commissioners, and the private business sector. Our job: to establish programs and policies that prepare Florida's youngest citizens for success in school.



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EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF THE NATURE COAST

Serving children and families in
Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, and Sumter Counties

**CHARTING THE COURSE
FOR CHILDREN'S SUCCESS**

The Coalition Board of Directors serves as the administrator and the voice for early childhood care and education in Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, and Sumter counties, the Nature Coast.

We strive to support the programs, providers, and professional opportunities that build and strengthen the well being of our children and families cognitively, emotionally, and socially.

The Board is responsible for...

- developing plans for the implementation of the School Readiness Programs that meet the standards and outcomes measures of the Office of Early Learning
- making School Readiness Programs available on a full-day, year-round basis to the maximum extent possible
- maintaining a single point of entry and unified waiting list
- establishing sliding fee scales
- determining reimbursement rates

- providing direct enhancement services to families and children
- creating strategies to meet the needs of unique populations
- establishing specific eligibility priorities.
- implementing Florida's Voluntary Pre-kindergarten Education Program

Board members may also serve on at least one of the following committees or councils of the Coalition:

- Administrative Committee
- Citrus County Advisory Council
- Executive Committee
- Sumter County Advisory Council
- Tri-County Advisory Council (Dixie, Gilchrist and Levy Counties)

The mission of the Board of the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast is to integrate a system of services, and to facilitate a quality school readiness program that includes linkages to all areas of child development.



Board Member Application

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Board Application...

Last name _____

First name _____

Address _____

City _____, FL Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Applicants are considered for all Board positions without regard to race, color, religion, gender, creed, national origin, age, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status, the presence of a medical condition or disability, or any other legally protected status.

Eligibility: Please check all of the following statements that apply to you:

An owner having at least a 10% ownership interest in a business entity operating in Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, or Sumter counties

The chief executive or operating officer of a business entity on the Nature Coast

A business executive or employee of the business entity who is at the management level or higher with optimum policymaking or hiring authority for a business on the Nature Coast

An individual who previously met one of the above criteria, but who is now retired from the business entity

A resident of Florida

Please check YES or NO to the questions below:

Do you, your relatives, or the business entity with whom you are employed have a substantial financial interest in the design or delivery of the Coalition's early education programs? Yes No

Are you an employee of the early learning coalition or the fiscal agent, central agency, contractor, or sub-contractor of the Coalition? Yes No

Are you an employee of a school readiness provider, private pre-kindergarten provider, public school, or school district? Yes No

Are you an employee of a child care facility, family day care or child care home, nonpublic school, or faith-based child care provider? Yes No

Are you an employee of a state university, community college, or other public educational institution? Yes No

Are you an employee of the federal government or state government, county or municipal government, or of a public agency? Yes No

Skills and Qualifications:

Please list your three best qualifications to serve as a board member _____

Please summarize work-related skills and qualifications acquired from employment or other experiences (include related military training) that qualify you for a position as a board member _____

Please share any special skills, commendations, awards, or certifications that qualify you to be a contributor to the Board of Directors _____

Please attach bio or resume and four references when submitting this application.

Declaration: I solemnly declare that the statements made in this application are correct and true.

Signature _____ Date _____