

Contracts Department:

The Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas County will start initiating contracts for the 2021-2022 Program Year at the end of April.

We are asking that all providers complete their 2021-2022 Provider Profile Updates before contract and application deadlines.

The deadline for completing the 2021-2022 Provider Profiles deadline was March 15, 2021. Providers who have not updated and submitted their 2021-2022 Profile should complete it as soon as possible.

Registration instructions:

All State Contracted Providers (SR and VPK):

- Sign and upload their E-Verify Affidavit
- Register with E-Verify

before signing their 2021-2022 Contract.

The E-Verify Affidavit and information on registering can be found on our website on the “For Providers” tab under Providers' forms section, [HERE](#).

The 2021-2022 SR and VPK State-wide Contracts are expected to be available at the end of April. Contracts will be initiated in the order in which provider profiles and VPK applications are received.

Providers wishing to conduct Summer VPK classrooms need to have completed applications by Friday, April 16, 2021. Extended deadlines have been approved

Screening and Intervention

We will now be accepting applications for enrollment into **FSU's Professional Certification in Trauma and Resilience: Level One** training. We will be enrolling 50 participants ****free of charge**** through our PDG Mental Health Grant!

For more information, please select the link [here](#).

If you would like to apply, please complete the following application, below, and return to KMiller@elcpinellas.org by 5/1/2021.

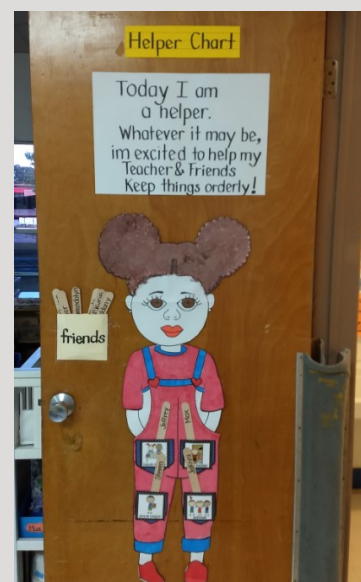
You will have 3 months to complete the course and submit your certificate after you are enrolled. We are asking that no more than 2 participants apply from each center.

[Select here for Application**](#)**

Super STAR Spotlight!

Ms. Nicole at **Creative Learning** and Ms. Liz at **Little People's Place** are true Super Stars this month!

Check out Ms. Nicole's adorable Classroom Helper creation and Ms. Liz's Kindness Tree!



to complete applications by April 30, 2021. Once the summer application is approved and certified, providers may add any enrollments received.

Providers who wish to select the advance payment option for 2021-2022, must submit their applications by early May.

We will be hosting two Zoom meetings to review all changes to the 2021-2022 state contracts. The Zoom meetings are currently scheduled for early June. **Watch for details about specific dates and links to register in early May.**

Please contact your **Contract Specialist** for any questions about profile updates, VPK applications, or E-Verify requirements.

Quality Programs

School Readiness Program Assessments are in full swing!

If your program is being assessed, a Quality Specialist will be contacting you to register in the Quality Performance System to schedule your assessment window.

We are following recommended social distance and mask guidelines and ask that you and your staff also follow suggested protocols during scheduled visits.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your Quality Specialist or Camille Mendez at cmendez@elcpinellas.org.



Green Acres, Creative Learning, Plato Academy Seminole, Trinity Presbyterian and Little People's Place all have brag worthy new Cozy Corner/Safe Spaces!



Check us **Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas** at <https://elcpinellas.net/>

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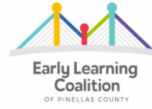
Providers, this page is for you!

Are you looking for ways to connect with other child care educators in Pinellas County? Searching for tips and programs to improve your classroom and professional goals? **Be a part of our child care community discussions on Facebook.**

Every Friday, Early Learning Coalition

providers are able to ask ELC CEO **Lindsay Carson** any pressing questions regarding the child care industry. Also, participants can get the latest news on professional education and training courses available to learn new skills for the classroom or ways to accomplish higher education goals.

Not a member yet? Connect with us on Facebook, [HERE](#), to sign-up.

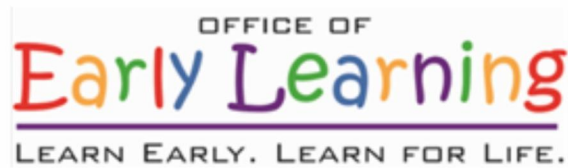


ELC NAPTIME NEWS
with LINDSAY CARSON, CEO



**Tune In
Every Friday
@ 1:30 PM**

Hear the latest news regarding the child care community, voice your concerns, and ask Lindsay your questions!



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