

Contracts & Compliance



VPK Literacy Update Reminder:

All VPK Providers should have received notification about the new requirements for VPK Classroom Lead Instructors. Updated information was distributed via the last ELC Newsletter and in an email from your VPK Contract Specialist the week before Thanksgiving Week.

The State Department of Education, Division of Early Learning conducted a number of workshops to review the changes to the VPK Literacy rule. Providers may download the Rule Text Draft and other forms [here](#). All State Rule Workshops concerning these changes have concluded, but if Providers have questions or comments about the rule, they may submit them to ael.rules@ael.myflorida.com and put "6M-8.615 Comment" in the subject line of the email.

Please visit our [website](#) for information on the requirements, details on the approved courses, and tips for registering for both virtual and on-line courses.

All VPK classrooms for the 2022-2023 VPK Program Year must have an instructor meeting the new requirements in order to contract. VPK applications can't be approved without staff who meet the new requirements. **If you have additional questions or concerns, please feel contact your VPK Contract Specialist Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm.**

Screening and Intervention



Pyramid Model Provider Shout Out:

Green Acres Preschool has incorporated some fun fall items into their Sensory Play!

ASQ UPDATE:

Have you heard the buzz about ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 screenings both being required now annually at enrollment and redetermination? **It's true!**

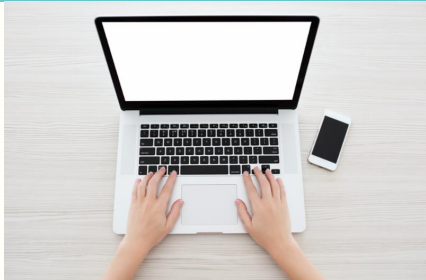
Division of Early Learning has officially made changes to the screening rule, effective October 1, 2021. Parents will be given the opportunity to complete the screenings first, but if not completed, or deferred, **you are required to complete both the ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 within 45 days.** Please check the [Provider Portal](#) to see if you have any screenings due. Call Anjanette at 400-4452 for assistance with ASQ's.

Certification Opportunity:

This week you will be receiving an eNews with an application to participate in receiving **FSU's Professional Certification in Rebound and Recovery.**

This course gives early learning educators working with children the tools to understand their emotions and how they may impact their thoughts and actions, social-emotional learning, trauma informed care, and build proficiencies in classroom management of emotions and behaviors. Through the certification's curriculum, participants also learn how to provide student-centered cognitive behavioral supports in the classroom and home.

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Be a part of our child care industry discussions on Facebook each Friday at 1:30pm.

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