



Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Registration Information for Parents Fall 2010/2011

VPK is a **FREE** program to prepare every Florida four-year-old for kindergarten and build a strong foundation for continued educational success.

Parents, your child is eligible for the **Fall 2010/2011 Florida Voluntary Prekindergarten program** if:

- ❖ **Your child's birthdate is between September 2, 2005 and September 1, 2006**
- ❖ **You are a Florida resident**

The registration process is simple and easy! Please bring to one of the VPK registration sites:

- ✓ Verification of your child's age
- ✓ Verification of your child's immunizations
- ✓ Verification of your Florida residence

Please provide one of the following documents to verify proof of age:

- Birth Certificate (original or certified copy)
- Certificate of Baptism (original or certified copy)
- Religious record of birth with a notarized statement from parent OR Religious Exemption document
- Life insurance policy for the child (must have been in effect for at least 2 years)
- Passport or other non-citizen documents issued by the United States
- Valid military dependent identification card

Please provide the following document to verify proof of immunization:

- Immunization record from the Health Department (Blue Form DH 680 titled *Florida Certification of Immunization* that must be signed by a health official, and verifies that immunizations are complete and current) OR Blue Form DH 681 Religious Exemption form completed

Please provide one of the following documents to verify proof of residency:

(Must be in name of parent/guardian of child with whom the child resides)

Note that regular postal mail or post office addresses are not acceptable as documentation

- Current FPL or water bill
- Florida driver license with current address
- Current pay stubs
- Property tax assessment showing a homestead exemption
- Residential rental agreement at current residence (*Rental only, not mortgage*)
- Letter from homeless shelter (for example, SPARCC)

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VPK 2010/2011 Registration location and schedules **Fall 2010/2011**

The Early Learning Coalition and Child Care Connection will be pleased to assist you with the application process and offer the following registration location and hours:

Parent Registration is available at:

The Early Learning Coalition's Child Care Connection

2886 C Ringling Blvd
Sarasota, Florida
(941)556-1600 ext 125

Conveniently located at Gold Tree Plaza at the corner of Tuttle and Ringling Blvd.

Registration Hours:

Tuesday: 7:30 AM – 6:30 PM
Thursday: 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM

VPK Registration is also available in North Port on specified days.

Please call Lauren Karabatsos at 556-1600 ext 108 for the next available time in North Port.

Children are welcome at VPK registration but are not required to attend.

*VPK registration will also be available at the **Ready Set Grow Fair** at the Westfield Sarasota Square Mall located at 8201 S. Tamiami Trail on*

August 7, 2010, from 11AM – 2:30 PM.

Look for us there. Be sure to bring all appropriate documentation as per the checklist. If you missed us there, VPK registration is ongoing at the regular locations listed here. Call for more information.

For more information about VPK registration, you can contact The Early Learning Coalition's **Child Care Connection** at 556-1600 ext 125 or go to our web site at www.earlylearningcoalitionsarasota.org

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