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January 29, 2010



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## RE: 2008-09 Preliminary Provider Readiness Rate

Dear Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program Provider:

On **February 5, 2010**, your preliminary 2008-09 VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rate is scheduled to be posted on the readiness rate Web site at <https://vpk.fldoe.org>. Your provider readiness rate is calculated based on the number of children (with a minimum of four children) who:

- attended your VPK program 70% or more of the program hours (540 school year = 378 hours in classroom; 300 summer = 210 hours in classroom) and
- participated in the 2009-10 kindergarten screening.

If you disagree with the data used to calculate your 2008-09 Preliminary Readiness Rate, a dispute form must be submitted via the [website](#) within 14 days after the publication of the preliminary rate, or by **February 19, 2010**. The dispute form and directions for filing a dispute can be found under the Provider Dispute link on the Web site.

After completing and submitting the dispute form on-line, you must mail or fax documentation that proves inaccurate program data was used in calculating your rate. Disputes and documentation received by the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) – Office of Early Learning on or before **February 19, 2010**, will be considered. Please send documents to:

Florida Department of Education, Office of Early Learning  
ATTN: VPK Provider Disputes  
325 W. Gaines Street, Ste. 514  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400  
FAX: 850-245-5105

The Department will work with the Agency for Workforce Innovation (AWI) and the respective Early Learning Coalitions to consider the information submitted. You may review the status of your dispute by logging on to the Web site and clicking on the link for the VPK Provider Readiness Rate Dispute Process. The four digit number following your provider name on the first address line of this letter is your user ID. If you have not previously used your login on the Web site, your default password is ready2010.

SHAN GOFF  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
OFFICE OF EARLY LEARNING

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The 2008-09 VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rates will be recalculated at the conclusion of the Provider Dispute Process and are scheduled to be posted on the Web site on **February 26, 2010**. The State Board of Education is scheduled to set a minimum 2008-09 VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rate at their March, 2010 meeting. You may want to check the Web site often for updates and additional information.

If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Education, Office of Early Learning toll-free at **1-866-447-1159**.

Sincerely,



Shan Goff, Executive Director  
Office of Early Learning

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c: Brittany Birken, AWI  
Executive Directors, Early Learning Coalitions