

**Early Learning Coalition of Pasco and Hernando Counties, Inc.
June 2007**

Internal Operations Report

VPK

The five low performing providers (scores below 201) have acknowledged their results and are required to submit an Improvement Plan no later than August 9, 2007. Coalition staff will provide technical assistance to providers. Staff also plans to work with those providers that achieved a rate below 216. The Coalition has received the grant to purchase items to assist these low performing providers. Staff is proceeding with the procurement of these items.

Coalition staff has processed contracts for sixty-seven VPK Providers for the fall session. Thirty-nine providers still need to submit additional paperwork to be qualified to provide VPK services. There are ten new providers for this new year.

As reported last month, the final figures for children participating in the VPK fall program are 868 in Hernando and 2,156 in Pasco. Summer sessions are currently underway at four public school locations in Hernando County and three in Pasco County. 271 children are enrolled in the Pasco County VPK program and 121 children are enrolled in the Hernando County VPK Program.

Match

Pasco County does not have any recorded cash match for the FY 2006-2007. The total Match is budgeted at \$344,000. An in-kind match of \$218,700 was procured and received a "qualifying" approval from OEL. There is a \$46,250 cash match for Hernando County. The central agency will provide a report regarding their match efforts to board members at the meeting on July 26, 2007.

School Readiness

The central agency contract for school readiness, quality and VPK for the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year has been extended for sixty days. The new contracts will be presented for board approval during the July meeting.

The Coalition served 3,159 Pasco County children and 1,297 Hernando County school readiness children during the month of June. These numbers represent an increase of 28 children in Hernando and 261 children in Pasco County over June 2006 numbers. Historical numbers are available on the www.flsrc.org website.

Financial

The coalition received the grant award for fiscal year 2007-2008. The total grant for school readiness for 2007-2008 is \$15,151,219. There is an increase in the VPK grant to \$11,577,004. We have not yet received the VPK Outreach and Awareness grant.

Purvis & Grey completed their initial visit prior to the audit scheduled for October.

Monthly fiscal reviews continue for all cost reimbursement invoices and expenditures remain with the approved financial limitations.

General

Ads for the following positions have appeared in print and on the website: Executive Director, Quality Manager, and Administrative Assistant. Interviews for the Administrative Assistant position were conducted and a candidate chosen. Reference verification is taking place. The coalition received approximately 80 applications for the Executive Director position – the Ad Hoc committee will review and select candidates to interview.

The Quality Manager position ad closed. Interviews to be scheduled.