

Attachment B

*Licensed*

School Readiness Training

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**School Readiness Preservice Training Requirement (Effective Date - March 31, 2017)**

**Option 1: Completion of the following Department of Children and Families (DCF) Training Courses**

- Health Safety and Nutrition (8 hours)
- Identifying and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect (4 hours)\*\*\*
- Child Growth and Development (6 hours)
- Behavioral Observation and Screening (6 hours)

Documentation required - DCF training transcript. Please note - Child Care personnel that have a 'yes' for Part I Introductory Training on their DCF Training Transcript are compliant with this option for SR purposes.

Please advise providers that child care personnel may be eligible for an educational exemption if they have an Associate's degree or higher with six college credit hours in early childhood/child growth and development or a degree in elementary education with certification to teach any age birth through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Encourage providers to complete CF-FSP Form 5211 and submit to the credentialing unit for review.

Please advise providers that for the purposes of licensure, child care personnel will still need to complete all 40 hrs (Part I and II) and the Early Literacy requirement within the appropriate timeframes established in rule.

\*\*\* Public School teachers can substitute completion of the school district's child abuse and neglect training for 'Preventing Child Abuse' (Option 1) or 'Identifying and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect' (Option 2)

**School Readiness Active Credential Requirement related to Group Size (Effective Date October 28, 2018)**

For classrooms operating with a group of children requiring more than one program personnel to meet the ratio requirements for the age of the children in a group; one of the personnel must possess an active credential pursuant to s. 402.305(3), F.S. as recognized by the Department.

Documentation required - DCF training transcript.

Please advise providers that child care personnel that have an Associate's degree or higher in a related field may qualify for a Formal Educational Staff Credential that never expires. Encourage providers to complete CF-FSP Form 5211 and submit for to the credentialing unit for review.

- Health and Sanitation
- Safety of the Environment
- Precautions in Transporting Children (if applicable)
- Safe Sleep Practices (not required of school-age only programs)
- Child Safety and Prevention
- Planning for Emergencies
- Preventing Child Abuse and Supporting Children in Trauma\*\*\*

AND choose one of the following:

- Supporting the Social-Emotional Development of Infants/ Toddlers,
- Supporting the Social-Emotional Development of Mixed-age Group Care, or
- Supporting the Social-Emotional Development of Preschool Children

Documentation required - ELLFL transcript or individual certificates. Compliance is based on the modules notated above- not courses offered by ELLFL that have similar topics.

Please advise providers that for the purposes of licensure, child care personnel will still need to complete all 40 hrs (Part I and II) within the appropriate timeframes established in rule. Option 2 training does not substitute for the 40 hrs of training required for licensed providers.