

ECEAP Reminders and Links

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Due Dates

- [DECA Registration](#).....Two weeks before each training
- [Billing for July Services](#) August 15
- Update Program and Subcontractor Info in EMS September 15
- [Staff Contacts Update](#)..... September 15
- [New Site Approvals](#)..... Several weeks before class start date
- [Staff Qualifications](#) form for new hires Upon hire

ECEAP Announcements

DEL ECEAP Directors Meeting – Register Now!

- Thursday, October 6, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday, October 7, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- At ESD 113's new location, 6005 Tye Drive SW, Tumwater

Join us at the fall DEL ECEAP Directors Meeting for updates on child assessment and outcomes, DEL monitoring processes, the state's prekindergarten workgroup, development of the database to replace EMS, and more. All ECEAP Contractors must send a representative. This is the only in-person Directors Meeting this year. The reception to celebrate ECEAP's 25th anniversary will be in Olympia Thursday evening. Please complete the registration form at:

www.del.wa.gov/publications/eceap/docs/DEL_ECEAP_DirectorsMeeting_Registration_Form.doc

ECEAP 25th Anniversary Celebration

Plan to join us Thursday, October 6, 2011, at the State Capitol building, Columbia Room, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., to celebrate our first 25 years.

Site Approval Form

To get approval for a new or moved classroom, please complete and send the ECEAP Site Approval form to DEL two weeks before classes start. The form is available at www.del.wa.gov/publications/eceap/docs/Site_Approval_Form.doc.

Staff Contacts Form

It's time to update your staff contacts. This year DEL will email you a pre-filled copy of the *Contractor Staff Contacts Form*. Please review this form, add any new staff, delete any staff who no longer work for you and return the form to DEL. We will update our distribution lists based on the information you provide.

Staff Qualifications for New Hires

As you hire new ECEAP lead teachers, assistant teachers or family support specialists, send staff qualifications forms to eceap@del.wa.gov. You can find the forms at www.del.wa.gov/publications/eceap under Staff Qualifications.

Billing for July Services

DEL recently emailed a new A-19 Invoice Voucher for the 2011-12 school year as part of your contract package. If your contract shows that you have payment points for July for administrative costs, please submit your voucher and monthly report form that is at www.del.wa.gov/publications/eceap/docs/MonthlyReport11-12.doc by August 15. For the monthly report, you only need to complete the heading and section six during the summer months.

When your preschool classes start in fall, you must enter the monthly report in EMS. Beginning July 2011, please email the A-19 vouchers to del.fiscal@del.wa.gov instead of the ECEAP email. If you have questions, please contact Cheryl Comsia at cheryl.comsia@del.wa.gov or (360) 725-2835.

Food Program Eligibility for ECEAP

The U.S. Department of Agriculture extended the waiver for automatic eligibility of all ECEAP children for the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP), through June 2012. See *USDA bulletin B027-10* at www.k12.wa.us/BulletinsMemos/bulletins2011.aspx.

Training Opportunities

Poverty Institute

- August 1-2, Portland, OR

Better understand poverty and gain tools for making a difference. For more information, go to <https://combarriers.com/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=30>

Teaching Strategies GOLD Training

- August 8-26 -- two-day sessions throughout the state, training fees paid by DEL.

There are limited slots for ECEAP staff to take this assessment tool training, along with kindergarten teachers participating in the WaKIDS kindergarten assessment project. For details, see the application form at

www.del.wa.gov/publications/eceap/docs/WAKIDSGoldRegistrationForm.docx

Starting Strong Institute

- August 11-12, Spokane

Hear from national experts and dialogue with peers about aligning preschool through third grade. For more information, visit www.esd101.net/startingstrong.

DECA Training – Registration is Open

DEL will offer free training in three locations for staff who use the Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA). In each location, we are offering a one-day basic session and a second day with more advanced, in-depth information about using DECA results in your classroom. You may register for one or both days. You must have completed the Basic training, this year or in the past, before you take the advanced training. Register at least one week in advance, using the form at

www.del.wa.gov/publications/eceap/docs/DECARegistration_Fall2011.docx.

- August 25, Basic Implementation Overview, Pasco
- August 26, Advanced Classroom Strategies, Pasco
- September 8, Basic Implementation Overview, Olympia
- September 9, Advanced Classroom Strategies, Olympia
- September 15, Basic Implementation Overview, Renton
- September 16, Advanced Classroom Strategies, Renton

Immunization Training

- September 27-28, Tacoma

Learn about vaccination principles, vaccine-preventable diseases and vaccines. For more information, go to www.immunizewa.org/cdc2day.

Resource Links

FREE Summer Meals and Snacks For all children and teens up to age 18. No proof of income, address or citizenship required. Go to: resources.parenthelp123.org/service/summer-meals.

NEW – Guide to child care health issues. The 3rd edition of *Caring for Our Children* is now online. It contains detailed recommendations and new standards on physical activity, limiting screen time, hand sanitizers, mental health education, and more. Download it at nrckids.org/CFOC3/index.html.

Social services This new website is a one-stop center for DSHS services and benefits for Washington families. www.washingtonconnection.org/home

Health services Help families apply for state-sponsored health insurance and food stamps and find services in their community at: parenthelp123.org/

Nutrition resources This month's *Mealtime Memo* explains how to connect with local nutrition experts. www.nfsmi.org/documentlibraryfiles/PDF/20110701080945.pdf

Health & Nutrition DEL has health-related resources for parents and caregivers at: www.del.wa.gov/development/health .

Pre-K and School Reform Early learning is part of the strategy for turning around low-performing schools. www.pre-know.org/documents/SchoolTurnaround_July2011.pdf

Autism See a list of resources for families with children with an autism spectrum disorder at www.governor.wa.gov/oeo/resources/autism_resources.pdf.

Head Start State Collaboration Office Update your knowledge of statewide early learning projects at www.del.wa.gov/partnerships/head-start/hssco.aspx.