## Highlands County

The ELCFH believes that parents are best suited to choose and evaluate child care for their children. The VPK provider information below will help in making the best decision for VPK placement. Parents are recommended to visit several providers, ask questions and check references before enrolling. Exercise your right of parental choice.

**Quick information at:**

Provider licensing/VPK profile at: [www.myflorida.com/childcare/providersearch.](http://www.myflorida.com/childcare/providersearch)

VPK Readiness Rate at [https://vpk.fldoe.org/](https://vpk.fldoe.org/)

The ELCFH can always create a VPK provider search based on your specific criteria—just call the ELCFH office and request a VPK R&R. Visit our website at [www.elcfh.org](http://www.elcfh.org)

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### YEAR ROUND PROGRAMS

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| 33872    | **Provider Name:** AdventHealth Child Learning Center  
           **Address:** 5306 Arvida Drive, Sebring  
           **Phone:** 863.402.5540  
           **Director:** Wanda Yeomans  
           **Email:** wanda.yeomans@adventhealth.com | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** Beyond Centers & Circle Time  
**Instructor Credentials:** FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 65  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.10.20  
**End Date:** 5.25.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:00-11:00 am  
   OR  
**12:30-3:30 pm**  
**Number of Classes:** 2 |
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| 33825    | **Provider Name:** Apple Top Child Care & Learning Center  
**Address:** 108 S. Forest Avenue, Avon Park  
**Phone:** 863.453.4385  
**Director:** Jillian Kelley  
**Email:** bethjahna@yahoo.com, jilliankelley14@yahoo.com  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** The Creative Curriculum for Preschool  
**Instructor Credentials:** BA, FCCPC & NECC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:10  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 51  
**Provider on Probation:** Y | **Start Date:** 8.10.20  
**End Date:** 5.13.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 7:30-10:30 am  
OR  
11:30 am-2:30 pm  
**Number of Classes:** 2 |
| 33870    | **Provider Name:** Busy Kids Creative Learning Center  
**Address:** 922 Persimmon Avenue, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.386.0808  
**Director:** Kathi Borecky  
**Email:** busykidselc@yahoo.com  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** Montessori  
**Instructor Credentials:** Formal Education, BA, BS, AAS, AS, FCCPC & NECC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 72  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.27.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
OR  
12:30-3:30 pm  
**Number of Classes:** 5 |
| 33870    | **Provider Name:** Christ Academy of Highlands County  
**Address:** 503 S. O Mul La Oee Drive, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.402.2408  
**Director:** Rebecca Gotsch  
**Email:** bgotsch.christacademy@gmail.com  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** WEE Learn  
**Instructor Credentials:** BA, FCCPC & NECC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:11 & 2:17  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 90  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
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**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
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| 33870    | **Provider Name:** Family Tree Learning Center  
**Address:** 3125 Medical Way, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.314.8733  
**Director:** Jennifer Dean  
**Email:** familytreelearning@centurylink.net | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** FunShine Online  
**Instructor Credentials:** Formal Education, AA & FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 67  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.10.20  
**End Date:** 5.21.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:00-11:00 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33852    | **Provider Name:** First Baptist Weekday Early Education Center  
**Address:** 206 E. Hibiscus Street, Lake Placid  
**Phone:** 863.465.1982  
**Director:** Victoria Nettles  
**Email:** fbclpwee@gmail.com | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** WEE Learn Four's  
**Instructor Credentials:** BA & AS  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 50  
**Provider on Probation:** Y | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.20.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33825    | **Provider Name:** Imagine Child Care & Learning Center  
**Address:** 901 Locke Street, Avon Park  
**Phone:** 863.452.2754  
**Director:** Sandra Bower  
**Email:** imaginecclc@gmail.com | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** Highscope Preschool Curriculum  
**Instructor Credentials:** BA & NECC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:11  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 29  
**Provider on Probation:** Y | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
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**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
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| 33852    | **Provider Name:** Lake Country Elementary  
**Address:** 516 County Road 29, Lake Placid  
**Phone:** 863.699.5050  
**Director:** Shane Ward  
**Email:** mayst@highlands.k12.fl.us, wards@highlands.k12.fl.us  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** School District based  
**Curriculum:** Big Day for PreK  
**Instructor Credentials:** BS  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** n/a  
**Provider on Probation:** N  
**Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.27.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 7:45-10:45 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33825    | **Provider Name:** Memorial Elementary School  
**Address:** 867 Memorial Drive, Avon Park  
**Phone:** 863.784.0200  
**Director:** Courtney Floyd  
**Email:** mayst@highlands.k12.fl.us, floydc@highlands.k12.fl.us  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** School District based  
**Curriculum:** Big Day for PreK  
**Instructor Credentials:** BS  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:11  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** n/a  
**Provider on Probation:** N  
**Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.27.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 7:30-10:30 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33852    | **Provider Name:** Noah's Ark Learning Center  
**Address:** 63 Lakeview Street, Lake Placid  
**Phone:** 863.699.5656  
**Director:** Connie Eddy  
**Email:** concon62@yahoo.com  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** FunShine Online  
**Instructor Credentials:** Formal Education  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:19  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 71  
**Provider on Probation:** N  
**Start Date:** 8.17.20  
**End Date:** 5.26.21  
**Days:** Monday-Thursday  
**Time:** 8:15 am-Noon  
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| 33825    | **Provider Name:** Small World Learning Center  
**Address:** 1049 W. Morrill Street, Avon Park  
**Phone:** 863.453.0004  
**Director:** Gwendolynn Gordon  
**Email:** smallworld1049@gmail.com | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum  
**Instructor Credentials:** FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** n/a  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.26.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33870    | **Provider Name:** St Catherine Catholic Preschool  
**Address:** 747 S. Franklin Street, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.385.7300  
**Director:** Sara Delapaz  
**Email:** delapaz@stcatheschool.org | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (Religious Exempt)  
**Curriculum:** Investigator Club  
**Instructor Credentials:** AA & FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 95  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.10.20  
**End Date:** 5.26.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:00-11:00 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33870    | **Provider Name:** STEAM Preschool Academy of Sebring  
**Address:** 204 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.314.8639  
**Director:** Krystal Colhouer  
**Email:** steamcommerce@gmail.com | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** The Creative Curriculum for Preschool  
**Instructor Credentials:** BS, FCCPC & NECC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:19  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 81  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
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| 33870    | **Provider Name:** STEAM Preschool Academy on Lakeview  
**Address:** 2170 Lakeview Drive, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.386.1040  
**Director:** Tanayah Stolberg  
**Email:** steamlakeview@gmail.com  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** The Creative Curriculum for Preschool  
**Instructor Credentials:** FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 64  
**Provider on Probation:** N  
| **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.27.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
**Number of Classes:** 1 |
| 33875    | **Provider Name:** STEAM Preschool Academy on Sparta  
**Address:** 4463 Sparta Road, Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.382.2727  
**Director:** Galetha Hawthorne  
**Email:** steamspartaroad@gmail.com  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** The Creative Curriculum for Preschool  
**Instructor Credentials:** FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:11 & 2:20  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 59  
**Provider on Probation:** Y  
| **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
**End Date:** 5.27.21  
**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
**Number of Classes:** 2 |
| 33872    | **Provider Name:** Sun ’N Lake Elementary  
**Address:** 4515 Ponce De Leaon Blvd., Sebring  
**Phone:** 863.471.5464  
**Director:** Linda Laye  
**Email:** mayst@highlands.k12.fl.us  
layel@highlands.k12.fl.us  
**Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** School District based  
**Curriculum:** Big Day for PreK  
**Instructor Credentials:** AA  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:11  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** n/a  
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| 33852    | **Provider Name:** Trinity Tots Preschool  
**Address:** 25 Lakeview Street, Lake Placid  
**Phone:** 863.465.6313  
**Director:** Susan Norris  
**Email:** s_norris123@yahoo.com | **Services:** Literacy Rich Program  
**Type:** Child Care Facility (licensed)  
**Curriculum:** World of Wonders  
**Instructor Credentials:** BS & FCCPC  
**Teacher/Pupil Ratio:** 1:11  
**FY 18-19 Readiness Rate:** 80  
**Provider on Probation:** N | **Start Date:** 8.11.20  
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**Days:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** 8:30-11:30 am  
**Number of Classes:** 2 |

For additional information on provider curriculum, staff qualifications, or a customized provider search, please call a Client Services Specialist at your nearest local ELCFH Office. Visit our website at [www.elcfh.org](http://www.elcfh.org) for all of the details!

**Provider on Probation:** (POP) The VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rate is based on the screening results from the Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener (FLKRS). The term 'Providers on Probation' refers to a VPK provider whose readiness rate is at or below the minimum rate set by the Department of Education. Additional information is available at vpk.fldoe.org/Infopages/ParentInfo.aspx