



2020-2021 Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Approved Providers Profile

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.

VPK Readiness Rate at <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

VPK Allocation per child effective
7.01.20: \$ 2,376.00/session or
\$4.40/hour

Updated: 9.30.2020

YEAR ROUND PROGRAMS

Zip Code	Provider/ Contact Info	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
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: 8.17.20 End Date: 6.1.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00 am OR 12:30-3:30 pm Number of Classes: 2	N

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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 & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:10 FY 18-19 Readiness Rate: 51 Provider on Probation: Y	Start Date: 8.17.20 End Date: 5.20.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:30-10:30 am OR 11:30 am-2:30 pm Number of Classes: 2	N
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: 8.17.20 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am OR 12:30-3:30 pm Number of Classes: 5	Y
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: 8.17.20 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 2	Y

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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	N
33825	Provider Name: Imagine Child Care & Learning Center Address: 901 Locke Street, Avon Park Phone: 863.452.2754 Director: Sandra Bower Email: imaginecccl@gmail.com	Services: Literacy Rich Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Highscope Preschool Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 18-19 Readiness Rate: 29 Provider on Probation: Y	Start Date: 8.17.20 End Date: 6.2.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am OR 12:30-3:30 pm Number of Classes: 2	Y
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: 8.17.20 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:45-10:45 am Number of Classes: 1	N

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33852	Provider Name: Lake Placid Montessori Address: 9 Lakeview Street, Lake Placid Phone: 863.699.1164 Director: Jennifer Payne Email: tazmania.payne@gmail.com	Services: Literacy Rich Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Montessori Instructor Credentials: AA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:19 FY 18-19 Readiness Rate: 54 Provider on Probation: Y	Start Date: 8.24.20 End Date: 6.4.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00 am Number of Classes: 1	Y
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: BA & BS Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 18-19 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: N	Start Date: 8.17.20 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:30-10:30 am OR Start Date: 9.11.20 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:30-11:00 am Number of Classes: 2	N
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 Number of Classes: 1	Y

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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: Funshine Online Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 18-19 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: N	Start Date: 9.1.20 End Date: 6.16.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N
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: 8.17.20 End Date: 6.2.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00 am Number of Classes: 1	N
33872	Provider Name: STEAM Preschool Academy at Sun N Lake Address: 4555 Sun N Lkae Blvd., Sebring Phone: 863.385.1039 Director: Yomarie Rosado Email: steamsunlake@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: 59 Provider on Probation: Y	Start Date: 8.17.20 End Date: 6.3.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N

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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 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N
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: 8.17.20 End Date: 6.2.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N
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: 2:20 FY 18-19 Readiness Rate: 59 Provider on Probation: Y	Start Date: 8.17.20 End Date: 6.3.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 2	N

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33872	Provider Name: Sun 'N Lake Elementary Address: 4515 Ponce De Leon 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 Provider on Probation: N	Start Date: 8.17.20 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:30-10:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N
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 End Date: 5.27.21 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 2	Y

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 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