



2016-17 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 office and request a VPK R&R. Visit our website at www.elcfh.org

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VPK Allocation per child effective
7.01.2016: \$ 2,319.29 or
\$ 4.29/hour

Updated: 5.15.2017

YEAR ROUND PROGRAMS

| Zip Code | Provider/ Contact Info | Program Details | Class Schedules | PP |
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| 33825 | Provider Name: Apple Top Child Care and Learning Center Address: 108 S. Forest Avenue, Avon Park Phone: 863.453.4385 Director: Jillian Kelley Email: jilliankelley14@yahoo.com | Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Instructor Credentials: BA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.22.16 End Date: 5.24.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am OR 12-3 pm Number of Classes: 2 | N |

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| 33825 | Provider Name: Avon Park Community Child Development Center Address: 800 S. Delaney Avenue, Avon Park Phone: 863.452.1069 Director: Tikia Lodge Email: aparkco1@embarqmail.com | Services: NAEYC Accredited, Head Start Program, USDA Food Program, ESE teacher on site Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Gold Seal Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AS & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 59 Provider on Probation: Yes | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:30-10:30am Number of Classes: 2 | Y |
| 33870 | Provider Name: Brighter Beginnings Learning Center Address: 421 Pomegranate Avenue, Sebring Phone: 863.314.0897 Director: Laberta Johnson Email: bblearningcenter421@gmail.com | Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: WEE Learn Instructor Credentials: NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:10 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 57 Provider on Probation: Yes | Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.4.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | 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: Degreed teachers, strong SR focus, developmentally appropriate curriculum, Open Door Policy, extended care available, nutritious snacks Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Open Court Instructor Credentials: AAS, FCCPC, Formal Ed & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 & 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 84 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am OR 12:30-3:30pm Number of Classes: 7 | Y |

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| 33870 | Provider Name: Christ Academy of Highlands County LLC Address: 503 S. O-Mul-La-Oee Drive, Sebring Phone: 863.402.2408 Director: Rebecca Gotsch Email: bgotsch.christacademy@gmail.com | Services: Jesus time, Chapel, Smart Boards Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: High Reach Instructor Credentials: BA/FCCPC/ NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:17 and 2:12 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 100 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 2 | Y |
| 33870 | Provider Name: Discovery Kids Learning Center Corp. Address: 841 S. O-Mul-La-Oee Drive, Sebring Phone: 863.314.8537 Director: Saily Hernandez Email: discoverykidslearning@gmail.com | Services: Bilingual teachers, extended day to 12:30pm, healthy morning snack included, special celebrations Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: High Scope Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | N |
| 33870 | Provider Name: Faith Child Development Center Address: 2740 Lakeview Drive, Sebring Phone: 863.385.3232 Director: Ribed Calderon Email: faithchilddevcenter@gmail.com | Services: Music Class, Chapel Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: WEE Learn Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 73 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | Y |

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| 33870 | Provider Name: Family Tree Learning Center Inc Address: 3125 Medical Way, Sebring Phone: 863.314.8733 Director: Jennifer Dean Email: familytreelearning@centurylink.net | Services: Literacy based, hands on developmentally appropriate curriculum, extra hour daily Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: BCCT Instructor Credentials: FCCPC, AA & Formal Education Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 & 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 71 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am Number of Classes: 1 | Y |
| 33852 | Provider Name: First Baptist Weekday Early Education (Wee) Center Address: 206 E. Hibicus Street, Lake Placid Phone: 863.465.1982 Director: Victoria Nettles Email: fbclpwee@gmail.com | Services: Teaching from the Bible, field trips Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Wee Learn Instructor Credentials: AA & AS Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 69 Provider on Probation: Yes | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.15.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | N |
| 33871 | Provider Name: Florida Hospital Child Learning Center Address: 5306 Arvida Drive, Sebring Phone: 863.402.5540 Director: Shiela Cochran Email: Shiela.Cochran@ahss.org | Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Open Court Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 77 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.18.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am OR 12:30-3:30pm Number of Classes: 2 | Y |

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| 33825 | Provider Name: Imagine Child Care and Learning Center/DBAThe Sanctuary Preschool and Daycare Address: 901 Locke Street, Avon Park Phone: 863.452.2754 Director: Raycheal Larson Email: sanctpre@thesanctuary.com | Services: Chapel, music, art, USDA Food Program, computers, literacy program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: WEE Learn Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:10, 1:11 and 2:15 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 89 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am OR 12:30-3:30pm Number of Classes: 4 | Y |
| 33875 | Provider Name: Just For Kids Address: 4463 Sparta Road, Sebring Phone: 863.382.2727 Director: Debra Davis Email: justforkids4571@gmail.com | Services: USDA Food Program, extended day Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Instructor Credentials: BS, FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.31.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 2 | Y |
| 33852 | Provider Name: Lake Placid Montessori Academy, LLC Address: 9 Lakeview Street, Lake Placid Phone: 863.699.1164 Director: Jennifer Payne Email: tazmania.payne@gmail.com | Services: Montessori Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Montessori Instructor Credentials: AA, BA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:9 & 1:10 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 78 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am OR 12:00-3:00pm Number of Classes: 4 | Y |

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| 33852 | Provider Name: Lakeview Christian School Address: 496 Kent Avenue, Lake Placid Phone: 863.465.0313 Director: Emily Sigrist Email: lvcs@embarqmail.com/e.sigrist@lakeviewchristianschool.org | Services: Computers, art, music, Chapel, extended day available Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: BJU Press Instructor Credentials: BA & MA Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 80 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am Number of Classes: 1 | N |
| 33825 | Provider Name: Little People Big Learning Center LLC Address: 199 N. Anoka Avenue, Avon Park Phone: 863.657.2050 Director: Belinda Clarke Email: clarke4410@yahoo.com | Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Nemours BrightStart Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:13 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 63 Provider on Probation: Yes | Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.8.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 8:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 1 | Y |
| 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: Strong literacy program, snack provided, large playground, wrap available Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Funshine Online Instructor Credentials: Formal Education Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 93 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.22.16 End Date: 5.17.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 8:00am-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: Gwen Gordon Email: smallworldlearning@embarqmail.com CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN IMPOSED FY 16-17 | Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 75 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | N |
| 33875 | Provider Name: The Learning Station Preschool LLC. Address: 2001 Alan Street, Sebring Phone: 863.381.8643 Director: Pamela Spears Email: pam00@embarqmail.com | Services: Free meals, certified teacher, advanced technology, small learning environment Type: Family Child Care Home (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BS Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:12 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 75 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.8.16 End Date: 5.15.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 8:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 1 | Y |
| 33870 | Provider Name: St Catherine Catholic Preschool Address: 806 Hickory Street, Sebring Phone: 863.385.1918 Director: Sara Delapaz Email: delapaz@stcathe.com | Services: Music class Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Investigator Club Instructor Credentials: AA & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:19 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 64 Provider on Probation: Yes | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.29.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am Number of Classes: 1 | N |

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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: Chapel, Bible stories, computers Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Open Court Instructor Credentials: BS & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 84 Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 2 | Y |
| 33872 | Provider Name: U and Me Activity and Learning Center Address: 4555 Sun N Lake Blvd., Sebring Phone: 863.385.1039 Director: Lucille Thomas Email: johnmstover@yahoo.com uandmeSunNLake@gmail.com CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN IMPOSED FY 16-17 | Services: USDA Food Program, wrap around program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Nemours BrightStart Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | N |
| 33852 | Provider Name: U and Me Activity & Learning Center III Address: 2170 Lakeview Drive, Sebring Phone: 863.386.1040 Director: Galetha Hawthorne Email: johnmstover@yahoo.com uandmelakeview@gmail.com | Services: USDA Food Program, wrap around program, before and after care available Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Nemours BrightStart Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No | Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1 | N |

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

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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