



2016-2017 Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Approved Providers Profile

Charlotte 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 7-1-16: \$2,401.18/session
or \$ 4.44 per hour

Updated: 4.18.17

YEAR ROUND PROGRAMS

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33950	Provider Name: A Child's Place Address: 2200 Education Avenue, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.639.4422 Director: Tara Gosine Email: puntagordachildcare@gmail.com	Services: small group sizes Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:16 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 70 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.8.16 End Date: 5.12.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1	N
33953	Provider Name: A Universal Learning Center, Inc. Address: 640 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.613.2323 Director: Melissa Swafford Email: universalpac@yahoo.com	Services: Dance & gym included in wrap around VPK. Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA, FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 2:14 & 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 90 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.22.16 End Date: 6.2.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 4	N

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33952	Provider Name: Academy for Early Learning, Inc. Address: 2202 Lakeshore Circle, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.624.6082 Director: Heather Sifford Email: hsifford@theacademyforearlylearning.com	Services: Prerading, writing, math and science activities to make a smooth and masterful transition to kindergarten. Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Gold Seal Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & Formal Ed Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:18 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 78 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.16.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N
33954	Provider Name: Accel Academy, Inc. Address: 390 Flamingo Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.235.8349 Director: Tiffany Profita Email: accelacademy390@gmail.com; tnrprofita@aol.com	Services: Consistent experienced staff, SR curriculum, large park like playground, low teacher student ratios Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Instructor Credentials: AS & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:9 & 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: 8:15-11:15am; OR 8:30-11:30am; OR 11:30am-2:30pm Number of Classes: 3	N
34224	Provider Name: Adventures Preschool, Inc. Address: 2560 Placida Road, Grove City Phone: 941.474.0171 Director: Georgia Trehuba Email: adventureslearningcenter@hotmail.com	Services: Christian school, webcams, secure front entry Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: STEMscopes Instructor Credentials: AAS, FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:8, 1:11 & 2:18 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 91 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 3.29.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 9:00am-3:00pm Number of Classes: 3	Y

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33950	Provider Name: Baker Center Early Childhood Program Address: 311 E. Charlotte Avenue, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA, BA, FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 85 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:15-11:15am Number of Classes: 3 OR Start Date: 7.11.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:15-11:15 am Number of Classes: 1	Y
33983	Provider Name: Bloom Academy Deep Creek Address: 1291 Capricorn Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.624.6400 Director: Tina Rambo Email: caseybloompg@gmail.com	Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Frogstreet Instructor Credentials: AA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:15am-12:15pm Number of Classes: 1	N
33950	Provider Name: Bloom Academy Punta Gorda Address: 425 Helen Avenue, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.655.8150 Director: Casey Kennedy Email: caseybloompg@gmail.com	Services: ECO Healthy Certified, Playscape, Music Class, small class size, full menu with Organic and Healthy options Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Frogstreet Instructor Credentials: AA, AS, BS & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:14 & 2:17 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 100 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 7.12.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:15am-12:15pm Number of Classes: 2	N

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33950	Provider Name: Busy Bee Early Learning Center, Inc. Address: 329 Allen Street, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.639.7901 Director: Sheryl Jones Email: busybee329@yahoo.com	Services: NAEYC Accredited, ECO Certified, low ratio, Spanish, nutritious breakfast, wrap available, large playground, field trips Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Gold Seal Curriculum: Pinnacle Instructor Credentials: AA, BA, BS & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 100 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 7.12.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1	N
33981	Provider Name: Chutes 'N Ladders LLC Address: 13425 Muriel Avenue, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.828.0080 Director: Phyllis Larkin Email: chutesnladders@cnl.comcastbiz.net	Services: USDA Food Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 88 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.11.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30 -11:30am Number of Classes: 1	N
33983	Provider Name: Deep Creek Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 26900 Harborview Road, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:35-11:35am Number of Classes: 1	Y

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33982	Provider Name: East Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 27050 Fairway Drive, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 82 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 7.11.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:55-11:55am Number of Classes: 1	Y
33952	Provider Name: Educare Learning Center Address: 3028 Caring Way Suite B, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.624.3382 Director: Bianca Petko Email: educarepc@gmail.com	Services: USDA Food Program, RN on site, NECPA Accredited, secure keyless entry, large fenced private playground Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Gold Seal Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & Formal Education Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 73 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.24.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1	Y
34269	Provider Name: Faith Preparatory School Address: 12100 SW Academy Drive, Lake Suzy Phone: 941.743-0098 Director: Ericka Brown Email: info@faithprepschool.org	Services: Now offering Kindergarten classes! Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Gold Seal Curriculum: BCCT Instructor Credentials: AA, FCCPC & Formal Education Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 & 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00am-Noon OR Days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday OR Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Time: 9:00am-2:00pm Number of Classes: 3	N

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33948	Provider Name: Genesis Christian School Address: 19150 Helena Avenue, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.627.4849 Director: Casey Maryon Email: genesischristianschool@yahoo.com	Services: Spanish lessons, Chapel Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA/BA & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:16 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 100 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.19.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 1	N
33950	Provider Name: Good Shepherd Day School, Inc. Address: 1800 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.575.2139 Director: Brandi Holloway Email: Brandi.Holloway@ymail.com	Services: USDA Food Program, dance class, wrap available, one hour extended day to include lunch and recess Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Instructor Credentials: AA, FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:17 & 2:16 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 83 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.24.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 3	Y
33948	Provider Name: HOPE Child Care Center Address: 18300 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Nicole Hansen Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum 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: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 7:30-10:30am Number of Classes: 1	Y

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33980	Provider Name: Joyful Noise Address: 24515 Rampart Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.629-4821 Director: Susan Weber Email: weberpilgrim@gmail.com	Services: Bonus hour daily/Free breakfast and lunch Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BS, AA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:14 & 2:18 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 78 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.19.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 4	Y
33980	Provider Name: Kingsway Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 23300 Quasar Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 77 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:55-11:55am Number of Classes: 1	Y
33954	Provider Name: Liberty Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 370 Atwater Street, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA,AA Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 63 Provider on Probation: Yes	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:35-11:35am Number of Classes: 1	Y

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33953	Provider Name: Living Waters Preschool and Childcare Center Address: 12479 Chancellor Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.625.5167 Director: Susan D'Amico Email: sseadamico@comcast.net	Services: Sign Language, French, Spanish, Chapel Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 100 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.22.16 End Date: 6.2.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 1	Y
33983	Provider Name: Lutheran Child Development Center Address: 2300 Luther Road, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.627.5821 Director: Lisa Kress Email: director@lccross.org	Services: USDA Food Program, faith based center, high tech security, low ratios Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 1	N
33948	Provider Name: Meadow Park Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 3131 Lakeview Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 79 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:35-11:35am Number of Classes: 1	Y
34224	Provider Name: Miss Heidi's Learning Center Address: 3691 S. Access Road, Englewood Phone: 941.473.3525 Director: Tameka Dunn Email: missheidis3691@gmail.com	Services: Sign Language, computers, family style child care Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 75 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:45-11:45am Number of Classes: 1	Y

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
34224	Provider Name: Miss Heidi's Preschool Address: 3801 S. Access Road, Englewood Phone: 941.473.3955 Director: Allison Berk Email: missheidis3801@gmail.com	Services: Sign Language, computers, family style child care Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:8 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: n/a Provider on Probation: Yes	Start Date: 10.10.16 End Date: 5.26.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 1	Y
33981	Provider Name: Myakka River Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 12650 Wilmington Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 85 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:35-11:35am Number of Classes: 1	Y
33950	Provider Name: Neil Armstong Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 22100 Breezeswept Avenue, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 71 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:55-11:55am Number of Classes: 1	Y
33980	Provider Name: Peace River Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 22400 Hancock Avenue, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 75 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:55-11:55am Number of Classes: 1	Y

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33952	Provider Name: Port Charlotte United Methodist Address: 21075 Quesada Avenue, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.625.4356 Director: Paulette Mann Email: PCUMCSchool@gmail.com	Services: Half day preschool, wrap available, Lunch Bunch, Chapel, music & movement Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Learn Every Day Instructor Credentials: BS & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:19 and 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 92 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.24.17 Days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday Time: 9:00am-2:00pm Number of Classes: 1 OR Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 9:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 2	N
33980	Provider Name: Rainbow's End Play & Learn CCC Address: 2100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.627.5437 Director: Joanne Gendreau Email: rbe_jg@comcast.net	Services: Degreed teachers, secure entry, APPLE Accredited, NCPSH Accredited, full time available Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Gold Seal Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: AA, BS, & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 93 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.24.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am Number of Classes: 2	N
34224	Provider Name: Redeemer Lutheran Child Care & After School Address: 6970 Mineola Road, Englewood Phone: 941.475.2631 Director: Wendy Horvath Email: redeemercc@verizon.net	Services: Gymnastics Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: DLM Instructor Credentials: FCCPC & BS Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:19 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 89 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30 am Number of Classes: 1	N

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33952	Provider Name: St. Charles Borromeo Address: 21505 Augusta Avenue, Port Charlotte Phone: 941.625.5533 Director: Kimberly Tringali Email: Kimberly_Tringali@stcbs.org	Services: Daily music & movement, songs Type: Private School, License Exempt, Gold Seal Accredited Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: FCCPC, BS Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 100 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.10.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 8:00am-Noon Number of Classes: 2	N
33950	Provider Name: Storybook Too Address: 272 E. Virginia Avenue, Punta Gorda Phone: 941.575.8777 Director: Diana Gomez Email: storybooktoo@yahoo.com	Services: Computers Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Pinnacle Instructor Credentials: AA & FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 57 Provider on Probation: Yes	Start Date: 8.10.16 End Date: 5.16.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:00-11:00am Number of Classes: 1	N
34224	Provider Name: The Kid's Club, Inc. Address: 10483 Kidron Avenue, Englewood Phone: 941.473.7765 Director: Trudie Smith Email: tkcenglewood@gmail.com	Services: VPK Program Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: Houghton Mifflin Instructor Credentials: FCCPC , AA & Formal Education Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 1:11 or 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 94 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.11.17 Days: Monday-Thursday Time: 8:45am-12:45pm OR 9:00am-1:00pm Number of Classes: 3	N
33952	Provider Name: Tiny Hands Childcare Preschool, Inc. Address: 20150 Midway Blvd., Port Charlotte Phone: 941.766.8469 Director: Christene Knisley Email: tinyhands@embarqmail.com	Services: Very consistent and dedicated to our growing children. Type: Child Care Facility (licensed) Curriculum: High Reach Instructor Credentials: FCCPC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 79 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.15.16 End Date: 5.17.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:30-11:30am Number of Classes: 1	N

Zip Code	Provider	Program Details	Class Schedules	pp
33947	Provider Name: Vineland Elementary Early Childhood Program Address: 467 Boundry Blvd., Rotonda West Phone: 941.575.5470 Director: Karen James Email: karen.james@yourcharlotteschools.net	Services: School District VPK Program Type: School District based Curriculum: Creative Curriculum Instructor Credentials: BA & NECC Teacher/Pupil Ratio: 2:20 FY 12-13 Readiness Rate: 92 Provider on Probation: No	Start Date: 8.9.16 End Date: 5.25.17 Days: Monday-Friday Time: 8:55-11:55am Number of Classes: 1	Y

For additional information on provider curriculum, staff qualifications, or a customized provider search, please call a Client Services Specialist at your nearest ELCFH office. Visit our website at www.elcfh.org

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