



Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida

SUBJECT: School Readiness Program Compliance Monitoring		
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Background:

Child Care Providers who provide School Readiness services are subject to the requirements of 45 C.F.R. 98, Federal Regulations, Chapter 411.01 F.S., Rule 60BB-4 F.A.C., and the School Readiness Provider Agreement, which is signed every year. These requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Developmentally appropriate curriculum
- Character development program to develop basic values
- An age-appropriate screening of each child's development (Ages & Stages)
- A pre-test and post-test assessment given children when they enter a program and leave the program
- An appropriate staff-to-child ratio
- A healthful and safe environment

Policy:

It is the COALITION's policy to ensure and support the Child Care Provider's compliance with all requirements by conducting on site monitoring of every SR Child Care Provider a minimum of each fiscal year. The COALITION or designee will use tools approved by the COALITION to monitor performance and will share the results with the Provider. Technical assistance is to be provided as needed. Compliance inspections may be unannounced.

As a part of the monitoring process, each Child Care Provider will undergo Environment Rating Scale (ERS) assessments to evaluate the program learning environment. The results of that assessment will direct the frequency of further monitoring visits.

Associated Documents: Policy 220.10 SR/VPK Compliance Monitoring Policy, Procedure 220.10 P1 – SR/VPK Provider Non Compliance and Policy 420.3 – DAP and Character Development.

Citation History: Chapter 411.01 and Rule 60BB-4 Florida Administrative Code.