



**Update on Coordinated Enrollment**  
**April 5, 2016**

# MR Application Closed February 26

Over 6,000 Applications Submitted, 66% verified

| Verification Status |             |             |            |             |                |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|----------------|
| Grade Applying For  | Verified    | Unverified  | Incomplete | Grand Total | Verification % |
| INF                 | 141         | 130         | 72         | 343         | 41%            |
| 1 YR                | 449         | 257         | 69         | 775         | 58%            |
| 2 YR                | 655         | 293         | 87         | 1035        | 63%            |
| PK3                 | 788         | 364         | 150        | 1302        | 61%            |
| PK4                 | 1930        | 491         | 138        | 2559        | 75%            |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>3963</b> | <b>1535</b> | <b>516</b> | <b>6014</b> | <b>66%</b>     |

- 100% of completed verifications received EPC scores
- 75% of PK 4 applicants completed verification
- Verification rates for 1 to 3 year applicants reached 58% or higher
- Infant verification remained low likely do to unfamiliarity with the process
- Incomplete applications did not include any school choices

# Improvements to the Process

## Revised Early Childhood Round 2 Catalog

**Based on working group recommendations, the following revisions were made to the catalog:**

- Focused on breaking up text and outlining the process clearly in few words
- Re-ordered programs by age, beginning with EHS and ending with NSECD
- Revised Head Start income tables to reflect 100% of Poverty Guideline Index with a note that families with children with disabilities whose income falls between 101-130% of PGI are also eligible, but prioritized after families at or below 100% of PGI.

**Due to the recent decision by NOEEN, providers, and EnrollNOLA not to include CCAP in the match for this year, the following revisions were made to the catalog:**

- CCAP section has an introduction page directing parents who need childcare for the 2015-2016 school year to contact Agenda for Children or to apply for Childcare Assistance through LDOE's online application
- All early Learning centers offering CCAP are listed on pages 32-37 of the catalog

# Update on CCAP and the match

## Sharing of CCAP Data

- Previously, LDOE felt they could not share personally identifiable CCAP data with Agenda for Children for the purpose of including these seats in coordinated enrollment
- Upon request for a second opinion, LDOE legal now agrees that because Agenda for Children and EnrollNOLA are involved in the “administration of the program,” LDOE will share this data for next year’s process

## Additional CCAP Challenges

### Rate & Availability Form

- Current LDOE process requires families applying for CCAP for the first time to choose one particular center prior to being approved for CCAP via the CCAP Rate and Availability form process
- This process is the opposite of coordinated enrollment, which is based on verifying the family’s eligibility FIRST, and then allowing the family to make program choices based on their eligibility and availability at preferred programs.

### CCAP Allocated Seats

- LDOE has postponed the CCAP allocated seats pilot due to technology concerns.

# Next Steps

| Date                         | Action   |
|------------------------------|--|
| Week of April 4              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Providers will be asked to review match</li><li>• Once match is certified, results will be available to parents<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parents can log in to portal to view results, also will get an email and a letter</li></ul></li></ul> |
| April 5                      | NOEEN Steering Committee Meeting   |
| April 11                     | LA 4 and NSECD provider meeting at Sojourner Truth: What's new for Round 2   |
| April 14                     | Preschool Expansion Grant provider meeting at CERM building: What's new for Round 2  |
| April – May 20               | Programs contact families to register 2016-2017 school year  |
| May 20                       | Registration deadline; programs can choose to enforce deadline   |
| Week of May 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Begin offering waitlist placements for programs that filled in Main Round and chose to enforce registration deadline   |



# Policy Proposal for Tuition-Based PK4

## Need for Policy

- LDOE has not provided clear policy or guidelines for PK4 Tuition seats at public schools
- LDOE has stated that local Lead Agencies may make this policy as part of the coordinated enrollment process
- For 16-17, several new PK4 tuition programs are being started at charter schools in an effort to increase socio-economic diversity within the class, and serve more total children citywide
- A clear policy is needed to ensure that:
  - Tuition rates are fair and appropriate
  - All tuition programs are following the same rules
  - The number of free PK4 seats in New Orleans does not decrease due to an increase in the number of tuition seats

# Policy Proposal for Tuition-Based PK4

## Short-Term v. Long-Term Policy

- AFC, EnrollNOLA, RSD, and OPSB staff developed a proposed addendum to the NOOEN Coordinated Enrollment Framework that details a policy for PK4 tuition seats that are offered by LA 4 providers
- This policy was shared with, and reviewed by all charter school operators who are providing PK4 tuition for 2016-17
- This policy will treat 16-17 as a “learning year” where, for the first time, a charter operator has the option to charge more than \$4,580/child for tuition
- EnrollNOLA will work with these operators to evaluate the implementation of this policy, parent demand for these seats, etc.
- Based on this data, and further work with charter operators, a long-term policy will be presented to NOEEN for approval prior to the Main Round of next year’s OneApp

# Proposed Policy for Tuition-Based PK4

## 2016-17 PK4 Proposed Policy

### **Tuition-based classes must be approved through Coordinated Funding**

#### **Request process:**

- Operators allowed to offer tuition-based PK will be capped at current levels for the 2016-2017 school year. These operators were approved through the coordinated funding request process.

#### **Acceptable tuition rates:**

- Tuition rates will be capped at \$4,580 unless an operator makes a formal request to charge more. When requesting approval the operator must provide justification to EnrollNOLA for the tuition rate.
- Per LDE guidelines, the tuition amount for any child cannot exceed the average per child amount the school spends for LA 4 eligible children in the class. Classroom space and utilities must be excluded. EnrollNOLA will work with each respective authorizer to review the request.

#### **Guarantee to kindergarten**

- All in-school LA4 students will receive guarantee to Kindergarten.
- PK4 tuition students will receive guarantee if at least 50% of the K class is LA4 students, filled by OneApp or a combination thereof.