

Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida, Inc. Policy

404.6 Parental Care Restrictions in SR

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POLICY:

The (School Readiness) Child Care Development Funding (CCDF) does not pay for parental care of children. In addition, the federal Administration of Children and Families (ACF) encourages local entities to take steps to prevent misuse of funds through proactively passing policies affecting funding.

Florida law provides for conditions in which child care centers and family child care homes meet their eligibility as a child care provider. "Child Care", "Child Care Facility" and "Family Day Care home" (statutory language from ss. 402.302 F.S.) are each defined and have commonalities within their legal definitions that may assist us in reducing improper expenditure of funds. Such commonalities include:

- "Child care means the care, protection, and supervision of a child, for a period of less than 24 hours a day on a regular basis, which supplements parental care, enrichment, and health supervision for the child, in accordance with his or her individual needs, and for which a payment, fee, or grant is made for care."
- Child care centers must care for children from at least 5 or more families unrelated to the operator.
- For large, licensed or registered family child care homes, provider must care for children from <u>at least two unrelated families</u>.

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