#### ELEVATE FL EARLY LEARNING WORKFORCE CONTINUIOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT



Contracted SR and/or VPK providers with a <u>CLASS composite score of 5 or higher</u> may apply for a grant of \$19,800 to develop/implement a program to strengthen practices that support effective interactions, strengthen business and leadership practices, support child assessment and screening with reliability, or other local priorities.

A program must provide a minimum of 24 hours of training time including live coaching, live instruction, virtual instruction, individual and group instruction, and other competency-based skill development exercises. The director must participate in the training along with staff, so the entire program benefits from the same preparation, work with a coach, and support of weekly goals. Funds can be used to cover any program costs, including compensating employees for their training time.

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Current CLASS Composite Score Information
- 2. Training Plan, including details for 24 training hours
- 3. List of training director(s) and participant(s)
- 4. Draft budget



All Training Programs must be Completed by April 30, 2024

#### END OF PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Within 15 days of the training plan's end date, a provider must submit the following –

- 1. Completion certificates for all trainings for all participants
- 2. Expenditure of funds in alignment with grant application budget

Requires a PD Plan and PD Consult with Cheryl Carpenter or Bronwyn Gogia

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### SUPPORT EFFECTIVE INTERACTIONS INCLUDING:

- Purchase Additional CLASS training and/or materials
- Purchase Curriculum and Supplemental Curriculum
- Purchase Classroom Materials
- Purchase Teacher and Administrative Access to National Conferences, trainings, summits and/or seminars (both virtual and in-person)

#### SUPPORT CHILD ASSESSMENT AND SCREENING WITH RELIABILITY INCLUDING:

- Purchase Child Assessments including Training
- Purchase ASQ Trainings

### STRENGTHEN BUSINESS AND LEADERSHIP PRACTICES INCLUDING:

- Purchase Technology and Software including training
- Purchase Attendance Management Software
- Purchase and Attend Conferences
  Cover the cost for Wages and Additional Stipends
- during Training and Coaching Hours

### SUPPORT OTHER LOCAL PRIORITIES INCLUDING:

- Family Engagement Opportunities
- Kindergarten Transition



Providers must strategically target these efforts to support the needs of their programs, families, students, and staff.

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PRIORITIES (EXAMPLES)

- Teacher- Child Interactions
- Kindergarten Transition
- Business Practices and Leadership
- Environment
- Child Assessment and Screening
- Health and Safety
- Family Engagement





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WEEKLY GOALS (EXAMPLES)

#### **Teacher- Child Interactions**

- Purchase National Conferences, trainings, summits and/or seminars
- Purchase Additional CLASS training and/or materials
- Purchase Approved Curriculum and related materials
- Purchase Classroom furniture, consumables, activities, playground equipment etc.

#### **Child Assessment and Screening**

- Purchase a Child Assessment
- Purchase training related to Child Assessment
- STAR Training and/or resources
- Purchase ASQ trainings



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WEEKLY GOALS (EXAMPLES) CON'T

#### **Business Practices and Leadership**

- Purchase Technology and software including training from the vendor
- Purchase Attendance management software
- Purchase and attend leadership conferences and/or virtual professional development subscriptions
- Cover the cost for wages and provide additional stipends during training and coaching hours

Family Engagement - providing opportunities to engage families within your program

Kindergarten Transition - participating in activities that support the transition of children into

Kindergarten

**Health and Safety** – improving practices to protect children and staff

Environment- improvements to program to support best practices (may not include capital

improvements)



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OUTCOMES (EXAMPLES)

- Improved CLASS score
- Increase usage of your curriculum and implementing to fidelity
- Increased staff retention and satisfaction
- Increased family participation in program activities
- Increased learning gains within STAR assessment for VPK children
- Increased procedures for health and safety
- Improvement in the overall interior and exterior environment of the program



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BUDGET (EXAMPLES)

	Line Item	Description/Justificati on	Propos	sed Budget	Amount Spent	Amount F	Remaining	Attention: The application
	Professional Develop	Proposed Training	\$	2000	\$	\$	2000	Attention: The application budget submitted must include expenses that total the entire grant amount, \$19,800.
	Compensation	Educator Stipends,	\$	5000	\$	\$	5000	
	Learning Resources	Classroom Resources	\$	6500	\$	\$	6500	
	Learning Resources	Updated Curriculum	\$	2000	\$	\$	2000	
	Learning Resources	CLASS Resources	\$	4300	\$	\$	4300	