

This notification is to inform all Stokes County child care centers that Stokes Partnership for Children (SPC), the NC Pre-K Program Contract Administrator for Stokes County, is accepting applications for a new site to provide NC Pre-K services beginning with the 2019-2020 school year (existing sites do not re-apply). Original applications with supporting documents must be received (not postmarked) no later than 5:00 p.m. on **December 2, 2019**. *Faxed or emailed copies will not be accepted.*

Eligible NC Pre-K sites must hold a 4 or 5 star-rated license from the NC Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE) **and** meet NC Pre-K Program Requirements and Guidance, which can be found at http://ncchildcare.dhhs.state.nc.us/PDF_forms/NCPre-K_Program_Requirements_Guidance.pdf. Please refer to this document for required staff qualifications for Site Administrator, Lead Teacher and Assistant Teacher; and approved curricula implementation for NC Pre-K classrooms. SPC will contract with approved sites and monitor for compliance per NC Pre-K Program requirements.

A non-conflicted sub-committee of the Stokes County NC Pre-K Committee will review all applications and use standardized evaluation tools to make recommendations to the full committee for final approval. All sites submitting applications will be notified of recommendations by December 5, 2019. Being recommended as a site does not guarantee funding. Funding is contingent upon the NC General Assembly. All county funding is allocated by the Stokes County NC Pre-K Committee.

A voluntary information meeting will be held at Stokes Partnership for Children on Wednesday, November 13th, at 10:00 am. **You must register by 5pm, 11/8/19, to attend.** To register call 336-985-2676.

Please direct any questions regarding the application process to Shannon Cox, NC Pre-K Coordinator, at Stokes Partnership for Children (336-985-2676).