

# NC Pre-K Program Requirements Addendum Changes Summary

## Site Selection and Section 3: The NC Pre-K Child – January 2020

### Section 2, Subsection F. NC Pre-K Standardized Site Selection

Previous Language	REVISED Language
<p>1. The <b>local NC Pre-K Committee</b> determines a multi-year funding cycle and oversees the process to ensure the Site Selection Sub-Committee follows the standardized site selection process as outlined in the <a href="#">NC Pre-K Site Selection Roles and Responsibilities</a>.</p> <p>The Site Selection process must be opened at least every two years but can be opened annually. The local NC Pre-K Committee is responsible for determining if the Site Selection process will be opened on an annual basis. <b>(NEW)</b></p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> When there is a county/regional need for additional site(s), the local NC Pre-K Committee must open the site selection process and recruit new programs to apply for consideration if there are no approved sites “waiting” and it is not during a year when you would normally conduct site selection.</p> <p>The local NC Pre-K Committee is also responsible for determining if existing NC Pre-K sites must re-apply during the site selection process. The Committee may decide that existing NC Pre-K sites that are maintaining all NC Pre-K standards do not have to reapply. <b>(NEW)</b></p>	<p>1. The <b>local NC Pre-K Committee</b> determines a multi-year funding cycle and oversees the process to ensure the Site Selection Sub-Committee follows the standardized site selection process as outlined in the <a href="#">NC Pre-K Site Selection Roles and Responsibilities</a>.</p> <p>The Site Selection process must be opened and all steps completed prior to the start of a new funding cycle or every three years, whichever is less, but can be opened annually. <b>(NEW)</b></p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The local NC Pre-K Committee is responsible for determining if existing NC Pre-K sites must re-apply during the site selection process. The Committee may decide that existing NC Pre-K sites that are maintaining all NC Pre-K standards do not have to reapply. <b>(NEW)</b></p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County A issues 2-year contracts for their NC Pre-K service providers – This county would need to open the Site Selection process every two years.</li> <li>• County B issues 5-year contracts for their NC Pre-K service providers – This county would need to open the Site Selection process every three years.</li> <li>• County C does not issue subcontracts (ex. the LEA serves as the Contracting Agency and all NC Pre-K sites are within the public school system) – This county would need to open the Site Selection process in accordance with their funding cycle or every three years, whichever is less.</li> </ul> <p>The Site Selection process will be considered opened once the public notice and information session have been completed and the application due date has passed. If no eligible sites apply by the deadline, and existing sites are not required to re-apply, then the Site Selection process may be considered complete. <b>(NEW)</b></p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> When there is a county/regional need for additional site(s) and there are no approved sites “waiting” the local NC Pre-K Committee must open the site selection process and recruit new programs to apply for consideration.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Questions about Site Selection? <b>(NEW)</b></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DCDEE recognizes that every county/region is unique and may experience situations that impact how Site Selection may be carried out locally. Contracting Agencies are encouraged to contact their NC Pre-K Program Policy Consultant for additional guidance.</p>

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<p>7. <b><u>Additional Locally Determined Indicators</u></b>                      The local NC Pre-K Committee makes the final site selection decisions based on the performance and compliance history of existing, already approved NC Pre-K sites, the rankings from the Rubrics for any sites that completed a NC Pre-K Site Application and recommendations from the Site Selection Sub-Committee.</p>	<p>7. <b><u>Additional Locally Determined Indicators</u></b>                      The local NC Pre-K Committee makes the final site selection decisions based on the performance and compliance history of existing, already approved NC Pre-K sites, the rankings from the Rubrics for any sites that completed a NC Pre-K Site Application and recommendations from the Site Selection Sub-Committee. Final funding of slots is contingent upon approval of the budget passed by the North Carolina General Assembly. All awards are contingent upon and subject to appropriation, allocation and availability of funds.</p>

## Section 3, Subsection A. NC Pre-K Child Application and Enrollment Eligibility

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<p>❖ <b><u>Income Verification/Documentation</u></b>                      b) <b>Pay Stubs (most recent pay periods)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Weekly – submit 4 consecutive pay stubs</li> <li>- Bi-weekly - submit 2 consecutive pay stubs</li> <li>- Monthly - submit at least 1 full month’s pay stub</li> </ul>	<p>❖ <b><u>Income Verification/Documentation</u> (REVISED)</b>                      b) <b>Pay Stubs (most recent pay periods)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Weekly – submit 4 consecutive pay stubs</li> <li>- Bi-weekly - submit 2 consecutive pay stubs</li> <li>- Semi-monthly - submit 2 consecutive pay stubs</li> <li>- Monthly - submit at least 1 full month’s pay stub</li> </ul>

## Section 3, Subsection E. Family and Income Definitions & Guidance

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Family (REVISED)</b></p> <p>Family size includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The NC Pre-K child</li> <li>2. Parents and stepparents <b>living in the same household</b></li> <li>3. All <b>minor</b> brothers and sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters <b>living in the same household</b></li> </ol> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><b>NOTE:</b> Minor siblings include anyone up to age 18 and still attending high school <b>at the time</b> the child’s application is submitted.</p> <p>Additional Clarification:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If a child is living with <b>legal guardian(s)</b> or <b>legal custodian(s)</b> then the family size consists of the NC Pre-K child, plus all minor brothers and sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters living in the same household. <b>The adults and children of these adults are also included. (REVISED)</b></li> <li>2. Incarcerated or institutionalized individuals <b>are not</b> included in family size.</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Family (REVISED)</b></p> <p>Family size includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The NC Pre-K child</li> <li>2. Parents and stepparents <b>living in the same household</b></li> <li>3. All of the NC Pre-K child’s <b>minor</b> brothers and sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters <b>living in the same household</b></li> </ol> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><b>NOTE:</b> Minor siblings include anyone up to age 18 and still attending high school <b>at the time</b> the child’s application is submitted.</p> <p>Additional Clarification:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If a child is living with <b>legal guardian(s)</b> or <b>legal custodian(s)</b> then the family size consists of the NC Pre-K child, plus all of the child’s minor brothers and sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters living in the same household. <b>The adults and children of these adults are also included. (REVISED)</b></li> <li>2. If a child is living with foster parent(s) or kinship provider(s) then the family size consists of the NC Pre-K child plus all of the child’s minor brothers and sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters living in the same household. <b>The adults and children of these adults are NOT included. (REVISED)</b></li> <li>3. Incarcerated or institutionalized individuals <b>are not</b> included in family size.</li> </ol>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Legal Guardian and Legal Custodian (NEW)</b></p> <p>Family size includes the NC Pre-K child plus all minor siblings living in the same household. The adults and children of these adults are also included. The adults’ income and any income received by the child, such as Social Security benefits, <b>would</b> be counted.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Legal Guardian and Legal Custodian (NEW)</b></p> <p>Family size includes the NC Pre-K child plus all of the child’s minor siblings living in the same household. The legal guardian(s)/custodian(s) and their minor children are also included. The income of the legal guardian(s)/custodian(s) and any income received by the child, such as Social Security benefits, <b>would</b> be counted.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Foster Parent</b></p> <p><b>For a child in the custody of DSS</b> family size includes the NC Pre-K child plus all minor siblings living in the same household. Any income received by the child, such as Social Security benefits, <b>would</b> be counted. The income of the foster parents <b>would not</b> be counted.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Foster Parent</b></p> <p><b>For a child in the custody of DSS</b> family size includes the NC Pre-K child plus all of the child’s minor siblings living in the same household. Any income received by the child, such as Social Security benefits, <b>would</b> be counted. The income of the foster parents <b>would not</b> be counted.</p>

<p>N/A</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Kinship Provider (NEW)</b></p> <p>Kinship is the <b>self-defined relationship between two or more people and is based on biological, legal, and/or strong family-like ties.</b> (DSS 1201 Child Placement Services)</p> <p><a href="https://www2.ncdhhs.gov/info/olm/manuals/dss/csm-10/man/CSs1201c4-05.htm">https://www2.ncdhhs.gov/info/olm/manuals/dss/csm-10/man/CSs1201c4-05.htm</a></p> <p>For the purposes of NC Pre-K, kinship is established when the child lives with and is cared for by an adult who is not the child’s parent, legal guardian, legal custodian, or foster parent.</p> <p><b>For a child living with a kinship provider</b> family size includes the NC Pre-K child plus all of the child’s minor siblings living in the same household. Any income received by the child, such as Social Security benefits, <b>would</b> be counted. The income of the kinship provider <b>would not</b> be counted.</p>
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