

NC Pre-Kindergarten Site Administrators

Thursday, September 17, 2026

Via Zoom

12:00 – 2:00 pm

- I. Welcome - Ar-Nita Davis, PFC NC Pre-K Program Manager**
 - A. New Administrators Introductions
 - B. Good News to Share: *Gratitude*/Birthday/Anniversary Celebrations
 - C. Grand Parents Celebration
- II. President's Report: Mary Sonnenberg, PFC President**
- III. SOAR Community Coalition – Wanda Wesley, CCS Federal Programs/PreK Department**
- IV. Provider Services – Sheila Rowe, Program Manager of Early Care & Education**
 - A. Neurodivergent Children Resource & Support Workgroup
 - B. Early Care & Education Coaches
 - C. Professional Development
 - D. Learning Library
 - E. Kaleidoscope Play & Learn
- V. Cumberland County Health Department Updates: Nicole Richardson, Child Care Health Consultant and Auxiliadora Grimes, Child Care Health Consultant**
- VI. 2026-2027 NC Pre-K SchoolMint and Children Updates: Alisha Bradshaw (NC Pre-K Caseworker)**
 - A. Child Applications/Placement
 1. Received School Mint
 2. Children Placement
 3. Children on the waitlist
 4. Children in Follow-Up
 - B. NC Pre-K Family Newsletter
- VII. NC Pre-K Updates: Ar-Nita Davis, NC Pre-K Program Manager**
 - A. NC Pre-K 2026-2027 Program Updates
 - B. 2026-2027 Recruitment
 - C. Site Allocation/Full Enrollment Required*
 - D. Family Engagement including Fathers and Grand Parents
- VIII. NC Pre-K Updates: Valerie Miller (Early Care and Education Coach)**
 - A. 2026-2027 Site Monitoring Tool Due: Monday, October 26, 2026
 - B. Do You Have A Technical Assistance Agreement?
 - C. Teaching Strategies GOLD® Teaching Strategies Professional Development TS Gold Fall Checkpoint due date- Thursday, October 29, 2026 Please visit updated [Instructor-led PD Catalog](#)
 - D. Outreach Assessment -ECERS-3

- E. Finch Literacy Screener -Revised August 2026 North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten (NC Pre-K) Program Requirements and Guidance
- F. Ready Rosie (Reminder to sign parents up for the Platform)

IX. Family Services Updates: Ebony Peterkin (Community Resource Liaison)

- A. Community Connection/Outreach
- B. Provider Services Resources

X. Break Out Session: Opportunities to Share/Open Discussion:

- A. Pipeline from College/University to NC Pre-K -Finding Qualifies Staff
- B. Early Childhood Advocacy (Chair: Toni Jackson)

XI. Adjourn: Please Sign Up (In Person Lunch)

- A. November 19, 2026 KinderCare (Hope Mills, Ramsey, Fort Bragg, Chris
- B. February 18, 2027 Creative Enhancement, Little Beginnings, and Trinity
- C. June 16, 2027 Jump Start, Heart for Children, and Grace

Mark Your Calendar:

- ✓ **Transforming the Way, We Show Up: Creating Environments Where Children Thrive Joy Belongs Where You Are** Saturday, October 10, 2026 (9:00 AM - 2:00 PM) Methodist University (Margaret & Walter Clark Hall): **Register Today-**
https://reg.abcsignup.com/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0052-0007-a1896415afd549d6af4b60561e1115ab
- ✓ **NC Pre-K Thursday, October 15, 2026 via Zoom**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84692023087?pwd=vIR47vtSFH7huq5fWurAQI19y6yMEF.1>

Additional Resources:

1. Register for a **NCRLAP training** event! <https://ncrlap.org/> Prerecorded online training modules with contact-hour credit Live online training and in-person events. There are some free trainings here as well if anyone needs something sooner <https://ncrlap.org/Resources/Training/Register/>
2. The TEACH Scholarship and Master's Degree Program. Here are some important links to get started: [T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood @ Scholarships | Early Learning Challenge \(nc.gov\)](https://uncw.edu/online/degrees/graduate_degrees.html#MED-EdLeader)
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3. Perspectives from the Field of ECE on being a manager and a leader:
<https://nv.instructuremedia.com/fetch/QkFoYklxc0hhUVF3dUhvRE1Hd3JCK3J0aEdJPS0tYmM0Y2VhZGYyMmNmNmM1NDUyNGNiNjlyNWnkNDkwYzYzNjA1NTk5OA.mp4>
4. Need Technical Assistance – Download, complete and submit
<https://ccpfc.org/document/technical-assistance-application/>
5. Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs Help Line:1-800-737-3028 or
CYSHCN.Helpline@dhhs.nc.gov. Nikki Hinnant- Family Outreach & Help Line Coordinator (DPH, Children & Youth Branch) Nikki.Hinnant@dhhs.nc.gov
<https://publichealth.nc.gov/wch/families/helplines.htm>
6. NC Additional Notes for your convenience -
https://ncrlap.org/Resources/Uploaded_Files/Uploaded_Resources/NC%20Additional%20Notes%20for%20the%20ECERS%203%20%281-9-26%29%20%28%201-9-26%202-33-17%20PM%29.pdf
7. Exceptional Children's Assistance Center Resources > Tools and Information: <https://www.ecac-parentcenter.org/tools-and-information/>
8. Partnership for Children Professional Development Trainings/Virtual Learning Events –
www.ccpfc.org/training

Upcoming Meetings / Holidays / Events

MEETING	MEETING DATE	MEETING TIME
Planning & Evaluation	August 4, 2026	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Family Connects	August 4, 2026	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Community Engagement & Development (CED)	August 6, 2026	8:30 am – 10:30 am
Facility & Tenant	August 17, 2026	11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Human Resource	August 18, 2026	12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
Finance	August 20, 2026	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Board of Directors (& NC Pre-K Planning)	August 27, 2026	12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Board Development	September 9, 2026	9:00 am – 10:30 am
CCR&R	September 10, 2026	9:00 am – 11:00 am
Executive	September 24, 2026	9:00 am – 11:00 am

EVENTS	DATE	LOCATION
Kindness Awards	Week of September 21, 2026	Various
Grilled Cheese Festival	Saturday, November 7, 2026	Dirt Bag Ales & Taproom
Giving Tuesday Campaign	November 23 – December 1, 2026	Online

HOLIDAY/CLOSURES	DATE CLOSED
Veterans Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Thanksgiving	Wednesday, November 25 – Friday, November 27, 2026