

# Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten

## Is Your Child Ready for Kindergarten? Enroll Your Child in Florida's FREE Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) Program

The Voluntary Prekindergarten Education (VPK) Program is a FREE educational program created to prepare every four-year-old in Florida for kindergarten and build the foundation for their educational success. The VPK program offers each child an opportunity to perform better in school and throughout life by offering quality programs that include developmentally appropriate curricula with a focus on early literacy skills, developmental standards, accountability, substantial instruction periods, manageable class size, and qualified instructors.

### **Apply Online:**

[www.elc-naturecoast.org](http://www.elc-naturecoast.org)

- Click on "For Parents" Tab
- Scroll to VPK section
- Click on website provided to apply online.

### **Proof of age**

A child must be four years old on or before September 1st of the school-year to participate in VPK during that school-year or the following summer. Parents must provide proof of their child's age. An example of proof of age includes an original or certified copy of the child's birth certificate or immunization records.

### **Proof of residency**

Children must live in Florida to participate in VPK. Parents must show proof that the family lives in Florida. Examples of this include a parent's driver's license, utility bill or paystub.



Now accepting applications for 2015-2016.

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