Contracted SR and/or VPK providers with a **CLASS composite score of 5 or higher** 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

**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

**PROGRAMS MUST BE COMPLETED BY 6/30/2023**

**REQUIRES A PD PLAN WITH PD CONSULT WITH DIANNA AGUIRRE OR TAMEKA MAYS.**
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CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

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 including ELC’s Uniting for Children Conference on 4/22/23
- 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
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
Attention: The application budget submitted must include expenses that total to the entire grant amount, $19,800.