**Instructions**

**Virginia Preschool Initiative (VPI) Data Collection and Application Requirements for 2014-2015**

All eligible divisions, regardless of participation, must certify electronically participation or non-participation in the VPI program for the 2014-2015 school year by October 1, 2014.

The data and application will be collected through the Department of Education’s Single Sign-On for Web Systems portal (SSWS). The Web site is located at:

<https://p1pe.doe.virginia.gov/ssws/login.page.do>. Access to the VPI application in SSWS must be requested through the school division’s SSWS account manager.

A division that chooses not to participate in the VPI program for the 2014-2015 school year must certify nonparticipation electronically through SSWS by October 1, 2014.

If your division is eligible and chooses to participate, additional information will be collected through SSWS. Please have the following information available before you begin entering the data into the SSWS application.

* Lead agency contact information
* Program contact information
* Number of full-day and/or half-day students to be served in 2014-2015
* Number of VPI classrooms
* Number of schools or centers
* Total number of VPI teachers
* Number of VPI teachers who hold a BA degree or higher and a Virginia teaching license with an NK or PK endorsement
* Number of VPI teachers with BA degree or higher
* Number of VPI teachers with Associate degrees
* Number of VPI teachers with Child Development Associate (CDA) credentials
* Total number of paraprofessionals
* Number of paraprofessionals with BA degrees
* Number of paraprofessionals with Associate degrees
* Number of paraprofessionals with Child Development Associate (CDA) credentials
* Number of paraprofessionals with high school diplomas or GED credentials
* Types of schools or centers - check the type of entity that is directly paying the VPI staff. The choices are public, private for profit, and private nonprofit
* Name of curriculum
* Test/assessment (in addition to PALS-PreK)
* Percentage of children enrolled in VPI for the current school year that meet the criteria for Free or Reduced Price Lunch

Complete all data entry in SSWS and the division superintendent must certify electronically in SSWS that the data is correct by October 1, 2014.