



Commonwealth of Virginia Virginia Department of Education Superintendent's Memo #153-22

DATE: July 15, 2022

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: FY23 VPI Final Slot Allocations

School division applications for the Virginia Preschool Initiative (VPI) for the 2022-2023 school year have been received and reviewed. The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm school divisions' final number of allocated VPI slots and participation in any of the VPI expansions and enhancements that were requested in the May 15 VPI Spring Application (redistribution of slots, requested wait list slots, 3-year-olds, and community provider add-on). The Virginia Department of Education is pleased to confirm that all requests to participate in expansion and enhancement programs will be accommodated this year, resulting in more children than ever before accessing a quality preschool experience through the VPI program.

Attachment A lists the final 2022-2023 VPI slot allocations for each VPI program. Please note that the number of allocated slots for 4-year-olds and 3-year-olds are funded and awarded separately and cannot be exchanged for each other.

Attachment A provides information on:

Final Number of VPI 4-year-olds a division may serve in 2022-2023 - This reflects any
added slots due to wait list slots requested on the May 15 VPI Spring Application, or in
some cases any reduced slots based on the number requested in the May 15 VPI Spring
Application. All division wait list slot requests have been awarded.

- Final Number of VPI 3-year-olds a division may serve in 2022-2023 This reflects the number of 3-year-old seats awarded. All 3-year-old requests have been awarded.
- Total Number of Community Provider Slots a division may enroll and receive community provider add-on funds for in 2022-2023 - This reflects the number of 4year-old slots and 3-year-old slots that will receive the community provider add-on funds, if the slot is placed in a community provider setting. All community provider add-on requests have been awarded.

VPI programs are funded based on student enrollment on October 1, 2022, as reported by divisions on the fall 2022 Student Record Collection (SRC). For the 2022-2023 school year, prorated funding for empty slots filled for the first time between October 2, 2021, and December 31, 2022, may be requested by school divisions through the fall VPI Verification Report process. Additional information regarding the fall VPI Verification Report will be shared with VPI Coordinators at a later date.

This communication is provided so that VPI program leaders can continue to plan and take action for serving children in your VPI classrooms as soon as possible. This means that more of your community's most vulnerable children will have the opportunity to enter kindergarten ready for school and to fulfill their potential.

For more information

If you need additional information or have questions about final VPI slot allocations for 2022-2023, please contact Tiffanie Meehling, Early Childhood Specialist, by email at Tiffanie.Meehling@doe.virginia.gov.

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A. Attachment: FY23 VPI Final Slot Allocation By Division (XLSX)