



# Preschool Promise

Oregon Department of  
Early Learning and Care

## Request for Applications (RFA): 2025-2027 Preschool Promise Eligible Providers List

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### Program Information

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# Single Point of Contact



## Questions?

All RFA questions should be directed to the Single Point of Contact listed in the RFA

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### Important Dates

Questions/ requests for clarification due	04/15/2025	5:00 PM PST
Answers to questions/ requests for clarification issued (approximate)	04/18/2025	

# Regions for this RFA

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- Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub ([Morrow/Umatilla/Union Counties](#))
- Early Learning Hub of Clackamas County ([Clackamas County](#))
- Four Rivers Family Early Learning and Parenting ([Gilliam/Hood River/Sherman/Wasco/Wheeler Counties](#))
- Early Childhood Hub of Lane County ([Lane County](#))
- Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties ([Linn/Benton/Lincoln Counties](#))
- Marion & Polk Early Learning Hub, Inc. ([Marion/Polk Counties](#))
- Southern Oregon Early Learning Services ([Jackson/Josephine Counties](#))

Note: If you are applying for multiple sites, you must submit an RFA application for each site.



What is  
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Preschool Promise is a statewide high-quality, publicly-funded preschool program that serves families living at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level and children in foster care.

Preschool Promise is delivered in a variety of settings including centers, homes, and schools.

Preschool Promise is a Slot-based program, meaning Preschool Promise Grantees are awarded a certain number of Slots, and eligible children fill these Slots through collaboration with their local Early Learning Hubs.



# PSP Program Requirements



- Grant Agreement outlines all the Preschool Promise Requirements
- Preschool Promise Operations Manual gives you ideas on what the implementation looks like

You can locate the PSP Operations Manual on [DELIC's PSP site](#) or on the [PSP RFA Site](#).

# Program Requirements

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Preschool Promise Grantees will be expected to fulfill the Preschool Promise requirements mandated in ORS 329.172 and the administrative rules in Division 470 of Chapter 414 (OAR 414-470).

Begin operation of Preschool Promise Program site(s) each program year no earlier than August 1st and no later than September 30 and end the program year no later than June 30.

Grantees must offer the Preschool Promise Program as follows:

- ☐ For a minimum of 900 direct service hours,
- ☐ direct service hours of no less than 6 hours per day,
- ☐ no less than 4 days per week,
- ☐ direct service hours must be between the hours of 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
- ☐ Program closures should not exceed 21 consecutive calendar days; anything beyond that will need prior Agency approval



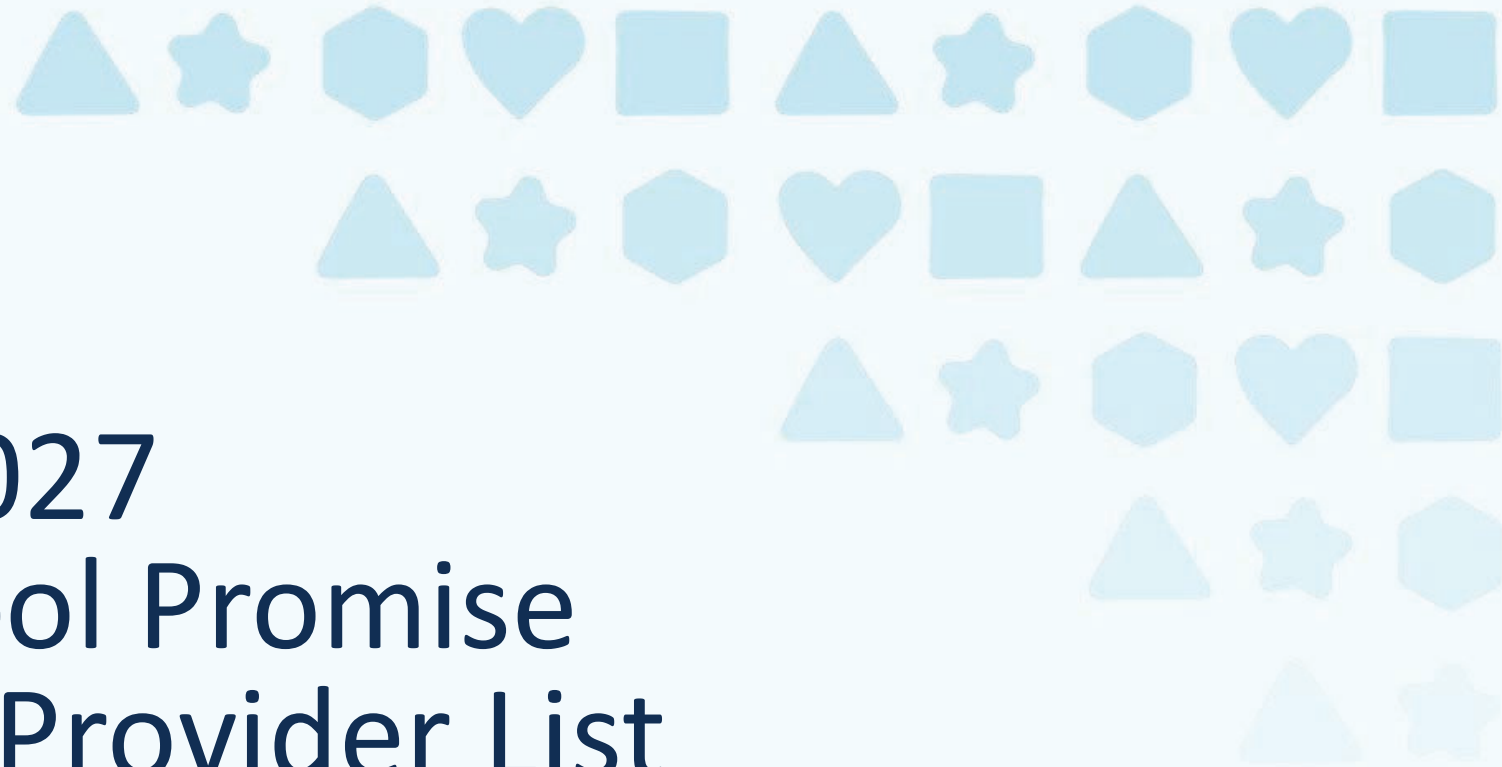
# Program Requirements



Please refer to the PSP Operations Manual (Attachment B of the RFA) for a full description of the PSP quality requirements and what they look like in practice.

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# 2025-2027 Preschool Promise Eligible Provider List

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## Overview

- ☐ Successfully completed and submitted the RFA application by the established due date.
- ☐ If Slots become available in the respective Early Learning Hub region, and the applicant is selected and offered Slots by Agency, the Applicant will have 15 calendar days to accept the offer of Slots. If accepted, the Applicant must be ready to begin services within 60 calendar days from the date Applicant was notified.
- ☐ Secure Preschool Promise insurance requirements in accordance with the Agreement before the execution of the grant agreement with Agency.
- ☐ Site geographic location, delivery of service, and setting type must be in alignment with the needs of the local community as described by the local Early Learning Hub at the time of the slot reallocation.
- ☐ If license is required by the Child Care Licensing Division, no more than 2 valid serious violations in the past 24 months and no civil penalties in the past 12 months from the date the Agency makes selection.
- ☐ Must have obtained minimum scores as indicated on the RFA application.
- ☐ Selected Site must be ready to start Preschool Promise services in full 15 calendar days from the start date given above, including but not limited to, ready facilities and hired staff.

*Refer to section 2.4.2 for more information.*



# PSP Provider Eligibility

# Eligibility

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The following types of entities are eligible to operate Preschool Promise programs:

- Certified Child Care Centers;
- Certified Family Child Care providers;
- Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies;
- Community-Based Organizations;
- Culturally specific organizations;
- Early Learning Hubs as designated under ORS 417.827;
- Education service districts;
- Federal Head Start programs;
- Oregon Pre-kindergarten grantees;
- Private preschools;
- Public charter schools;
- Public schools;
- Relief Nurseries as defined in ORS 417.786; and
- Other Child Care Providers as defined in OAR 414-470-0005.



# Eligibility

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- An Applicant is **NOT** eligible to provide Preschool Promise services pursuant to this RFA if Applicant has previously been awarded a Preschool Promise Grant and, in the **two years** before submitting an Application in response to this RFA:
  - Agency reduced Applicant's Slot allocation,
  - total enrollment is or fell below 60% enrollment
  - notified Applicant that Applicant was not eligible for continuation of a Preschool Promise Grant or
  - terminated Applicant's Preschool Promise Grant.
- An Applicant may not provide Preschool Promise services at any Site where, in the two years before submitting an Application in response to this RFA, Agency's Child Care Licensing Division (CCLD) found that Applicant committed **more than two serious violations as defined by rule, or at any Site where OCC imposed a civil penalty on the Applicant for conduct related to that Site.**
- Applicant's Sites must have sufficient physical space to provide Preschool Promise services. If license exempt, minimum requirements are as follows:
  - Indoor, open and accessible space: 35 square feet per preschooler
  - Outdoor, open and accessible space: 75 square feet per preschooler



# Grant Amount & Duration

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**Duration:** July 1, 2025 and ends June 30, 2027.

**Amount:**

- ❖ Base amount: \$15,650 per Slot per year
- ❖ Transportation enhancement: \$1,100 per Slot per year (available to grantees who offer transportation)
- ❖ One-time Start-up Funds:
  - \$2,000 per Slot awarded pursuant to this RFA

Applicants who are successfully added to the Preschool Promise Eligible Provider List may qualify for Preschool Promise Slots, should any become available, through June 30, 2027.



# Considerations

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- **Consider reading the RFA document thoroughly.** Many applicants go straight to application, instead of spending time reading the actual RFA document.
- **Understand Self-Employed vs. Business Owner:** Recognize the differences in responsibilities, tax implications, and operations between being self-employed and a business owner.
- **Develop a Business Plan:** Create business plan that includes your mission, vision, services, and goals. Register with the Secretary of State. Ensure your business is legally recognized and compliant with state regulations. Consider enrolling in business classes to enhance your business knowledge in areas such as management, finance, marketing, and funding structures. **Become Comfortable with Technology:** Familiarize themselves with the tools and platforms needed for submitting reports and managing their operations efficiently.
- **Read the PSP Operations Manual:** Familiarize yourself with the program requirements and understand how they look like in practice and what your program needs to adjust to be in alignment. For example, obtaining basic level insurance. Acquire essential insurance coverage, such as Abuse and Molestation and Commercial General Liability insurance.
- **Self-Reflection:** Reflect how a state grant would benefit your business and how these funds will help you achieve your mission. Reflect on the positive impact this will have on the families you serve.



# Application Process

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Interested applicants should refer to the RFA document specific to their Hub region for detailed information on eligibility, requirements, and the application process.

DELC is hosting a **Pre-Application Conference: Application Information** on Friday, April 4, 3:00 PM PST.

**Application window closes Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM PST.**





# RFA Key Dates



**3/20/25**

**Review RFA  
Information  
on Website**

[RFA WEBSITE](#)

[ZOOM LINK](#)

**PSP  
Informational  
Webinar**

**4/3/25  
3:00PM**

**4/4/25  
3:00PM**


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**5/5/25  
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Thank you for  
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