June 10, 2020

Dear Provider,

The Early Learning Division invites you to apply for a second round of Emergency Child Care (ECC) grant funding to provide assistance during the COVID-19 crisis. Resources pertaining to this grant, including the Phase 2 Request For Application (RFA), will be available beginning on **Monday, June 8, 2020** at [oregonearlylearning.com/COVID-19-Resources/Grants](http://oregonearlylearning.com/COVID-19-Resources/Grants).

This is a limited, one-time grant that will open online to providers on **Monday, June 22 at 8 a.m.** The Emergency Child Care grant program uses resources allocated to Oregon through the federal CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act, intended to support COVID-19 response and other Child Care and Development Block Grant funds. This grant is available for both licensed and license-exempt child care providers who did not receive ECC grant funding for classrooms or sites in Phase 1. Providers who did receive Phase 1 funding are not eligible to receive funding for the same classrooms or sites. All applicants who meet the criteria will receive a grant. Grant amounts will vary by provider type and may range from roughly $700 to $9,360. **Applications are due by July 10, 2020 at 5 p.m. (PST).**

Licensed providers are eligible to apply if you:

- Submit an application to be an Emergency Child Care provider by June 30, 2020, and
- Commit to adhering to [health and safety guidelines](#), and
- Agree to remain open and serve children through the end of September 2020. If currently closed, agree to reopen by September 1, 2020 and remain open and serve children through the end of September 2020.

License-exempt providers are eligible to apply if you:

- Are a Family, Friend & Neighbor provider (Regulated Subsidy or Relative Care) receiving child care payments through the Department of Human Services, and
- Are currently caring for a child of an [essential worker](#), and
- Are committed to serving children through September 2020.

Providers who receive a grant will be required to sign an agreement with the state and maintain financial and attendance records for six years. Grant funds may only be used for allowable costs such as paying for a lease/mortgage, utilities, insurance, food and supplies, staff compensation and benefits, and other reasonable operating costs. Grant award recipients will be notified beginning July 20, 2020.

Grant applications will only be accepted online and will be available in English and Spanish. For providers who speak languages other than English or Spanish, or who require additional support completing an application, local Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) agencies are available to assist. Find your CCR&R at [http://triwou.org/projects/ccccrr](http://triwou.org/projects/ccccrr). Frequently Asked Questions will be
updated throughout the open application period. If you have questions, please contact us at ECCgrants@state.or.us or 971-707-2029.

Thank you,

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