

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Consent Item**  
July 15, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6M-4.630, Statewide Provider Contract Monitoring Tool for the School Readiness Program

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1001.213(2), Florida Statutes

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Office of Early Learning (OEL) administers federal and state child care funds and partners with 30 local early learning coalitions to deliver comprehensive early learning services statewide. The office oversees three programs—the School Readiness Program, the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program, and Child Care Resource and Referral services. OEL is required to submit its proposed rules to the State Board of Education for approval.

OEL is statutorily required to establish by rule a standard statewide provider contract to be used with each School Readiness Program provider. The contract has been adopted in Rule 6M-4.610, with amendments to the contract form effective December 2019 for implementation in the 2020-21 contract year. Procedures and a tool for early learning coalitions to use when monitoring compliance of contracted school readiness program providers with the terms of the contract are adopted in Rule 6M-4.630.

OEL is amending Rule 6M-4.630 to revise the monitoring tool form to align with the standard statewide provider contract for the 2020-21 contract year. Rule text is updated to reference the August 2020 OEL-SR20M, Statewide Provider Contract Monitoring Tool. The monitoring tool form includes both Tier 1 and Tier 2 monitoring. Tier 1 monitoring consists of a desk review for low risk providers. Tier 2 monitoring consists of onsite monitoring for high-risk providers. An evaluation of prior monitoring results determines whether a provider is high-risk. This determination is outlined in Attachment D of the monitoring tool form. The changes to the incorporated form include a revision to the requirements for tracking of Tier 1 monitoring for compliance and the inclusion of child assessment tracking, if applicable. Additional changes to the monitoring tool included updating the form date and a correction to the page numbers.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Proposed Rule 6M-4.630, F.A.C., and Form OEL-SR 20M, Statewide School Readiness Provider Contract Monitoring Tool (under separate cover)

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