



## **2017 SUMMER VPK PROVIDER LIST as of 06/13/17**

This list gives general information on each provider, including program hours, accreditation status, curriculum used, VPK readiness rates, provider's or school's services and availability of before and after care. All providers on this list meet requirements to be licensed or accredited to offer VPK and meet the minimum standards for teacher qualifications and class size, as mandated by legislation, meaning that **every VPK class has at least one teacher with a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree** and that a VPK class must maintain a ratio of 12 children to 1. Some providers exceed this standard. Many hold Gold Seal accreditation.

For **specific information on teacher qualifications**, teaching philosophy, curriculum and the overall program, call individual providers. To observe classrooms, teacher interactions, and the learning environment, **visit the site so you can choose the program that is right for your child.**

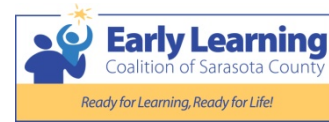
- For VPK Readiness Rates and information go to <https://vpk.fldoe.org/Default2.aspx>. The State Board of Education is required by law to calculate a VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rate every year for each private or public school VPK provider that offers either the school year or summer program. The VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rate measures how well the students of each VPK provider were prepared for kindergarten based upon Florida's VPK Education Standards. The VPK Education Standards describe what four-year-old children should know and be able to do by the end of their VPK experience. Visit <https://vpk.fldoe.org/Default2.aspx> to obtain VPK provider readiness rates.
- Find VPK providers by zip code and view licensing reports at the Florida Department of Children & Families website, <https://cares-sarasota.myflfamilies.com/PublicSearch>
- Summer VPK provider options could be centers, family child care homes, or public school sites.
- Some private VPK providers also participate in *Look for the Stars*, a Quality Rating and Improvement System in Sarasota County. Star levels are noted here for your reference; more information is available at [www.lookforthestars.org](http://www.lookforthestars.org).

## PRIVATE CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

<p><b>Faith Early Learning Center</b>                      7750 Beneva Rd, Sarasota, 34238                      Contact: Susan Carney 923-2509                      Type of facility: Center                      Program Hours: 8:30am-4:00pm                      Start/End Date: 6/6/17-8/3/17                      Provider's services: Full Day, Half Day                      Classrooms: 1                      Ratios: 1:12                      Lead Teacher Credential: BA                      Curriculum: Creative                      Gold Seal Accredited: NA              Readiness Rate: New                      Look for the Stars: NA</p>	<p><b>Forty Carrots Family Center</b>                      1500 S. Tuttle Ave, Sarasota, 34239                      Contact: Flora Oynick 365-7716                      Type of facility: Center                      Program Hours: 8:30am-4:00pm                      Start/End Date: 6/15/17-8/11/17                      Provider's services: Half Day, Before and After School                      Classrooms: 4                      Ratios: 1:12                      Lead Teacher Credential: BA, MS                      Curriculum: Creative                      Gold Seal Accredited: Yes              Readiness Rate: 86*                      Look for the Stars: 4</p>
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<p><b>Indigo Montessori School</b>                      2643 Grand Cayman St, Sarasota, 34231                      Contact: Melanie Smith 726-7129                      Type of facility: Home                      Program Hours: 8:30-4:30                      Start/End Date: 6/12/17-8/4/17                      Provider's services: Full Day, Half Day, Drop In, Night Care, Before /After School, Weekend Care, Infant Care, Food Served                      Classrooms: 1                      Ratios: 1:12                      Lead Teacher Credential: BS                      Curriculum: Montessori                      Gold Seal Accredited: N/A              Readiness Rate: New                      Look for the Stars: NA</p>	<p><b>Koala Early Education Center</b>                      3710 N. Lockwood Ridge Rd, Sarasota, 34234                      Contact: Adelina Pereira 378-2362                      Type of facility: Center                      Program Hours: 8:30am-4:00pm                      Start/End Date: 6/5/17-8/10/17                      Provider's services: Full Day, Half Day, Before School, After School, Infant Care, Food Served                      Classrooms: 3                      Ratios: 1:12                      Lead Teacher Credential: BA                      Curriculum: Creative                      Gold Seal Accredited: No              Readiness Rate: 75*                      Look for the Stars: 4</p>
<p><b>Precious Jewels</b>                      2700 Leon Ave., Sarasota, 34234                      Contact: Angela Mathis 360-1122                      Type of facility: Center                      Program Hours: 7:00am-2:30pm                      Start/End Date: 5/1/17-6/27/17                      Provider's services: Full Day, Half Day, Drop In, Night Care, Before School, After School, Food Served                      Classrooms: 1                      Ratios: 1:12                      Lead Teacher Credential: MA                      Curriculum: Beyond Circles &amp; Center Time                      Gold Seal Accredited: No              Readiness Rate: New                      Look for the Stars: NA</p>	

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