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**Staff listing: some staff will appear in different categories as they work across multiple departments.**

**Family Services/ SR Financial Assistance/ VPK**

**Financial Assistance**

Parents can apply for financial assistance by filling out the [basic information in the application form here](#) at the Division of Early Learning parent portal.

Or for more info e-mail us at [info@elcsarasota.org](mailto:info@elcsarasota.org)

**VPK Information Line**

(941) 556-1600 ext. 125

**Information Line for Spanish Speakers**

(941) 556-1600 ext. 101

**Provider Portal:** [providerportal@elcsarasota.org](mailto:providerportal@elcsarasota.org)

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 Early Childhood Specialists/Warmline**

**Administration/Finance  
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