



2023 SUMMER VPK PROVIDER provisional as of 05/03/23

****NOTE: The following providers have indicated an interest in offering VPK for the summer, however may not yet have completed the approval process. Please contact the provider for an update on their status.****

This list gives general information on each provider, including program hours, accreditation status, curriculum used, 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.**

- Find VPK providers by zip code and view licensing reports at the Florida Department of Children & Families website, <https://caressearch.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 <https://lookforthestars.org/>.

PUBLIC SCHOOL SITE

Public School Summer VPK Programs:

Register after receipt of VPK certificate from Early Learning Coalition at: <https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/>. Click on: 'Students & Parents', then 'New Student Registration'

Cranberry Elementary
 2775 Shalimar Terrace, North Port 34286
 941-480-3400
 Program Hours: 7:00am-5:00pm
 Start/End Date: 6/1/23-7/27/23
 Before and After Care Available: No
 Number of VPK classrooms: 1 Ratios: 1:12
 Curriculum: Frog Street



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PRIVATE CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Forty Carrots Family Center

1500 S. Tuttle Ave, Sarasota, 34239

Contact: Kim Dailey 365-7716

Type of facility: Center

Program Hours: 8:30am-4:00pm

Start/End Date: 6/1/23-7/28/23

Provider's services: Half Day, Before and After School

Classrooms: 3 Ratios: 1:12

Lead Teacher Credential: BS

Curriculum: Creative

Gold Seal Accredited: Yes

Look for the Stars: 4.5