EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF PALM BEACH COUNTY OFFERS CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS AND EMERGENCY PERSONNEL FAMILIES

Child Care scholarships for those on the front-line of the COVID-19 response effort

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL (April 2, 2020) – First responders, emergency personnel, and other essential workers in Palm Beach County with child care needs will soon get some relief.

The Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County is offering a limited number of child care scholarships for those serving on the front-line of the COVID-19 response effort. Many of these hard-working families and single parents are having a difficult time finding child care because their current provider may have temporarily closed. The Early Learning Coalition is poised to help. Not only can the Coalition quickly connect parents to high-quality child care, but the Coalition now has the ability to provide a scholarship for child care for up to 60 days for these critical employees.

This program would not be possible without the steadfast support of Dr. Lisa Williams-Taylor, and the entire Children’s Services Council of Palm Beach County organization, along with a generous donation from a private foundation in Palm Beach County.

“Now that the school district is closed until further notice, our first responders and emergency personnel need safe and consistent high-quality child care for their young children and elementary-aged children,” said Warren Eldridge, CEO of the Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County. “The last thing they need to worry about right now is finding and paying for child care for their children...it’s the least we could do to help.”

About ELCPBC Emergency Personnel Child Care Scholarship Program: If you are a first responder, emergency personnel, or essential worker in Palm Beach County with children aged 6 weeks to 12 years old, please call our family resource line: 561.514.3300 to apply.

About the Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County: The Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County makes sure that every child is ready to succeed in school and life. We coordinate with community partners to provide parents with information and assistance to select high-quality child-development services, including Voluntary Prekindergarten, School Readiness, and other vital early learning programs. For more information, visit: elcpalmbeach.org

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