



NC Pre-K What's New – March 29, 2012

NC Pre-Kindergarten Program SFY 2012-2013 Contract Information.

The Division of Child Development and Early Education is preparing for SFY 2012-2013 NC – Pre-K contracts. See attached documents for [requirements](#).

ALERT! NC Pre-KPlan and NC Pre-KKids Users – January 24, 2012

We are reviewing data in the 2011-2012 NCPre-KPlan and NCPre-KKids systems and need your help. Accurate data is critical to reporting for the NC Pre-Kindergarten Program for your agency and ours. Here are [three areas that require your assistance to review](#) and update as needed.

The [Certified Other Resources](#) report is due January 15, 2012.

NC Child Care Commission approved the Tools of the Mind Curriculum to be added to the state-approved list of approved preschool curricula on August 16, 2011. Listed below is the Pre-K curricula included in the full list of state-approved [Early Childhood Curricula](#):

1. *The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool*, 4th Edition or 5th Edition, Teaching Strategies, Inc., Copyright 2002. (The fifth edition is approved with the stipulation that programs purchase and use Volume 1 *The Foundation*; Volume 2 *Interest Areas*; Volume 3 *Literacy*; Volume 4 *Mathematics*; and Volume 5 *Objectives for Development and Learning*).
2. *The Empowered Child™*, *Childtime*, 2nd Edition, Copyright 2007 (Approved for use in Childtime programs).
3. *Explorations with Young Children: A Curriculum Guide from the Bank Street College of Education*, Gryphon House, Copyright 1992.
4. *High Reach Learning*, High Reach Learning, Inc., Copyright 2009.
5. *High/Scope Preschool Curriculum*, High/Scope Press, Copyright 2002
6. *Investigator Club Prekindergarten Learning System*, NC Edition. Robert Leslie Publishing, Copyright 2007-2012 (Approved with the stipulation that programs implement the curriculum only in four-year-old classrooms and purchase and use the complete system, NC edition).
7. *Opening the World of Learning™ (OWL)*, Pearson Early Learning, Copyright 2005 (Approved with the stipulation that full-year programs have a plan to supplement or extend the curriculum since OWL is designed to cover a school year).
8. *Passports: Experiences for Pre-K Success*, HighReach Learning, Inc., Copyright 2007 (Approved with the stipulation that programs purchase and use the *Compass* and at least one set of study/theme materials).



9. *Tools of the Mind*, Metropolitan State College of Denver, 2009-2011. (Approved with the stipulation that programs participate in the Tools of the Mind professional development offered by the publishers to implement the curriculum and purchase: Bodrova, E. and Leong, D.J., *Tools of the Mind: The Vygotskian Approach to Early Childhood Education*, 2d ed., Pearson Education, Merrill/Prentice Hall, 2007).

10. *Tutor Time LifeSmart™*, Copyright 2005 (Approved for use in Tutor Time Programs).

11. *The Creative Curriculum for Family Child Care*, 2d Edition, Volume 1 and 2, Copyright 2009 (Approved with the stipulation that programs purchase and use: Volume 1 *The Foundation*; Volume 2 *Routines and Experiences*; and *Objectives for Development and Learning*, in the Creative Curriculum for Preschool, Volume 5, Teaching Strategies, Inc., 2010).

NC Pre-K What's New July 1, 2011

On July 1, 2011, North Carolina General Assembly transferred the More at Four Pre-Kindergarten Program to the Division of Child Development and Early Education in the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and renamed it the NC Pre-Kindergarten Program (NC Pre-K). The NC Pre-K Program is designed to provide high-quality educational experiences to enhance school readiness for eligible four-year-olds.

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