early learning coalition
OF PASCO & HERNANDO

PROVIDER RESPONSIBILITY

Notifications of absences for children who are considered as At-Risk Rilya Wilson Reporting Act

Rule 6M-4.500(4)(c) & (e) and The Rilya Wilson Act (s.39.604, F.S.)

If a child is considered "At-Risk", law requires childcare providers to report the child's absence that is under the age of school entry, on the first unexcused absence or seven (7) consecutive excused absences no later than the close of business on the day the absence(s) occurred. Unexcused absences take place when a child is absent on a day when he or she is supposed to be present, and the parent or caregiver fails to report the absence.



A child is categorized 'At Risk', if the classification under either, or both, of the columns labeled 'At Risk' and/or 'RW' indicates 'yes' on the 'School Readiness Manage Enrollment' page in the DEL Provider Services Portal.

Report absences of "At Risk" children by contacting:
For children residing in Pasco County: Family Support Services Suncoast- (727) 456-0600 Ext. 2474
For children residing in Hernando County: Kids Central- (352) 754-1111 Press 4

'At Risk' absences must also be reported to PHELC by contacting the ELC Absence Reporting Line at (727) 233-8291 ext. 148

Reporting absences for School Readiness children who are NOT considered 'at Risk"

School Readiness Providers must also report if a School Readiness child has been absent for five (5) consecutive days with no contact/communication from the parent or 10 unexplained absences within a calendar month. These types of absences should also be reported to the ELC Absence Reporting Line at (727) 233-8291 ext. 148. The provider shall maintain documentation of the notification.