





#1stDayVPK Social Media Campaign

- OEL developed a statewide initiative for celebrating the first day of VPK. This parent engagement activity is aimed at making the first day of VPK special for children and families. (See July 2017 Parents' Pages article about #1stDayVPK.)
- All Coalitions and VPK providers are encouraged to participate.
- Creativity is encouraged. Use your imagination! This is an opportunity to let your program, families, children, and our Coalition shine.
- Make sure you have photo releases for each child/family. (<u>Click here</u> for a generic photo release to be used in your center.)
- Consider making your own paper sign or use the OEL sign (shown above). You can look at our
 Pinterest page at https://www.pinterest.com/elcnwf/ or visit the Pinterest page for the Office of
 Early Learning at https://www.pinterest.com/flearlylearning/.
- On the first day of your VPK Program, help parents take pictures of their child with a special VPK sign. Either use their camera/phone to take their picture, or use your own resources.
 - Upload pictures to your Facebook page, and use the hashtag #1stDayVPK.or send pictures to us at redline@elcnwf.org.
 - o If you send pictures to us, use the subject line "#1stDayVPK," and include a note about the child having a photo release so we can print it for our records. Also, include your full name and the name of your center so we can share that information on Facebook.
- If you have any questions about this fun and engaging event, email redline@elcnwf.org, and we will be happy to answer questions, offer advice, or support you as you celebrate our VPK students and their families on the first day of VPK.
- For an additional family engagement activity, consider helping children create a keepsake to give as a gift to parents in the future. See examples below or <u>visit our Pinterest page</u>.



