

<b>VIRGINIA PRESCHOOL INITIATIVE FOR AT-RISK FOUR-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003 - 2004</b>
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Locality Applying for Funding:

Title of Program: Virginia Preschool Initiative for  
At-Risk Four-Year-Old Children  
101 North 14th Street  
P. O. Box 2120  
Richmond, Virginia 23218-2120

Issuing Agency: Commonwealth of Virginia  
Department of Education

Type of Funding: Virginia General Assembly General Fund Appropriation

Period of Funding: July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004

Deadline: May 16, 2003

Checklist: Each of the items listed below must be included in the application submitted. Place a check by each item that is included with this application.

<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 1: Agency Identification	Signature(s) required
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 2: Statement of Assurances	Signature required
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 3: Affidavit Certifying Compliance or Intent to Comply with Day Care Program Regulations	Signature required
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 4: Program Summary	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 5: Classroom Summary	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 6A: Projected Budget Revenue Summary	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 6B: Budget Narrative	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 6C: Summary of Projected Expenses	Maximum 5 page limit
<input type="checkbox"/>	VPI Form 7: Program Narrative	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of Day Care License Electronic copy not needed, attach to the original copy mailed. May not be required, see VPI Form 3.	

Application Guidelines: Application and guidelines for completion and submission can be downloaded in *Microsoft Word* or *pdf* format at:  
<[http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Instruction/Elem\\_M/early.html](http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Instruction/Elem_M/early.html)>

Telephone inquiries should be directed to: Gail S. Barnes, Education Specialist  
(804) 371-5378

Fiscal Year 2003 – 2004 Virginia Preschool Initiative Application  
Agency Identification  
(Requires signatures)

1. Locality	1.
2. Lead Agency*	2.
3. Official Lead Agency Contact Person	3.
4. Address	4.
5. Telephone	5.
6. E-mail address	6.
7. Fax number	7.
8. Agency conducting program if different from the school division	8.
9. Official Contact Person	9.
10. Address	10.
11. Telephone	11.
12. E-mail Address	12.
13. Fax number	13.
14. Funding is being requested for how many children?	14.
15. Projected number of Virginia Preschool Initiative classrooms in 2003-2004?	15.
16. Amount of proposed state funding requested?	16.
17. City Manager or County Administrator	17. (Typed Name)  Signature: _____  Date:
18. Director of Agency conducting the program (if other than school system)	18. (Typed Name)  Signature: _____  Date:
19. Division Superintendent	19. (Typed Name)  Signature: _____  Date:

\*Lead agency is the school division or local government body responsible for fiscal and program accountability.

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Statement of Assurances  
(Requires Signatures)

Lead Agency\*:

Locality:

To administer Virginia Preschool Initiative programs, as directed by the Virginia General Assembly, the lead agency assures that all programs or classrooms serving children funded through the Virginia Preschool Initiative in the above-named locality will:

1. operate a minimum of six (6) hours per day in one environment;
2. operate five (5) days per week;
3. operate a minimum of 180 days (the full school year);
4. enroll program-eligible children whose fourth birthdate occurs on or before September 30 of the school year;
5. have a class size that does not exceed 16 children;
6. have an adult-child ratio that does not exceed eight children to one adult (8:1); and
7. have a classroom teacher who has the appropriate professional credentials for the program site.

Further, the lead agency:

1. confirms the existence of a steering group comprised of representatives of local, private and public entities including the school division;
2. confirms that no Virginia Preschool Initiative funds will supplant federal funds for programs for at-risk four-year-old children (localities applying for a waiver due to reduced funding under Title 1, should attach a copy of the signed waiver); and
3. confirms that no fees will be charged to families of participating children (small activity fees are permitted).

Signature of lead agency administrator (County/City Administrator or Division Superintendent):

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County/City Administrator or  
Division Superintendent

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Date

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
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AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE OR INTENT TO COMPLY  
WITH CHILD DAY PROGRAM REGULATIONS  
(Requires Signatures)

School divisions must complete this form. Private providers must attach a copy of their current license.

Locality:

Official Contact Person:

Name of School(s): (List all schools or sites where Virginia Preschool Initiative classrooms are located. If more space is needed, list additional schools or sites on the next page.)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Check all that are appropriate:

- I certify that the above identified school(s) is(are) operating programs in full compliance with the requirements of the Minimum Standards for the Accreditation of Child Day Programs Serving Children of Preschool Age or Younger Operated by Public Schools.
- I certify that the above identified school(s) is(are) operating programs in full compliance with the requirements of the Minimum Standards for the Accreditation of Child Day Programs Serving School-Age Children Operated by Public Schools.
- I certify that we operate a program(s) for (check one):  
 preschool age children  
 school-age children  
at the above identified school(s) which will be in full compliance with the requirements with applicable regulations on or before (date).
- I certify that we have a program(s) for (check one):  
 preschool age children  
 school-age children  
at the above identified school(s); however, these programs(s) are operated by \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Agency) and are licensed by the Department of Social Services. (Must attach a copy of the license to the original application that is mailed or hand delivered.)
- I certify that we house a preschool program which operates under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or vocational child care programs and is, therefore, exempt from the requirement of these regulations.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Official Lead Agency Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Additional schools not indicated on page 1 of the Affidavit Certifying Compliance with Child Day Regulations in which Virginia Preschool Initiative students are located:

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 Program Summary

This summary describes the overall program. All information on this form pertains to the sum of all classrooms serving Virginia Preschool Initiative (VPI) children. Answer each question below:

1. Locality	1.
2. Funding has been requested for how many students?	2.
3. How many VPI classrooms?	3.
4. What is the length of the program in days? The length of the program year must include a minimum of 180 instructional days.	4.
5. What is the length of the program each day in hours? The length of the day must include a minimum of six hours.	5.
6. What curriculum will be used? (High Scope, Creative Curriculum, Core Knowledge, locally developed, other)	6.
7. How many full-time teachers are serving VPI students? a. How many teachers have a BS or higher degree? b. How many teachers have an Associate's degree? c. How many teachers have a CDA?	7. a. b. c.
8. How many full-time classroom aides are serving VPI students? a. How many aides have an Associate's or higher degree? b. How many aides have a CDA? c. How many aides have a High School Diploma or GED?	8. a. b. c.
9. How many additional personnel serve VPI students? List each and give the percentage of time they serve VPI students (e.g., social worker, speech teacher, home-parent coordinator, program director, principal) Position: a. b. c. d. e.	9. % of time w/VPI a. b. c. d. e.
10. a. Will you be using the Pre-K Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening instrument? b. If so, have you included this in your budget as a cost? (See Application Guidelines for information regarding cost of this instrument.)	10. a. b.

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Classroom Summary

Please complete one box for each classroom: (Copy this page for additional classrooms, if needed.)

Locality: \_\_\_\_\_

1. School Name	1.	1.	1.
2. Telephone Number	2.	2.	2.
3. Fax Number	3.	3.	3.
4. E-mail Address	4.	4.	4.
5. Type of School (public school or other)	5.	5.	5.
6. For this classroom, approximately how many students will be funded from each source?  a. VPI (state share only) b. Early Childhood Special Education c. Paying Tuition d. Title I e. Head Start f. Dept. of Social Services g. Local h. Other Funding Sources	a.  b.  c. d. e. f.  g. h.	a.  b.  c. d. e. f.  g. h.	a.  b.  c. d. e. f.  g. h.
7. Total Number of Students (cannot exceed 16)	7.	7.	7.
8. How many staff are assigned to this classroom full-time? (pupil-teacher ratio cannot exceed 8:1)	8.	8.	8.



Fiscal Year 2003 – 2004 Virginia Preschool Initiative Application  
Budget Narrative

Project the line-item costs for the object codes below (described in Appendix I). Appendix H provides a sample budget.

LOCALITY EXPENDITURES BUDGETED BY ACCOUNT. Describe in detail, provide line-items.	STATE AMOUNT	OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL FUNDS	LOCAL AMOUNT	IN-KIND	TOTAL AMOUNT BUDGETED
<p>1. Personnel Services (1000)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total</p>					
<p>2. Employee Benefits (2000)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total</p>					
<p>3. Purchased Services (3000)</p>					





Fiscal Year 2003 – 2004 Virginia Preschool Initiative Application  
 Summary of Projected Expenses  
 (Based on Proposed Funding)

Summarize projected expenses for each category using VPI Form 6B. See Appendix I for explanation of object codes. Appendix H of the guidelines provides a sample budget.

Locality:

EXPENDITURES BY OBJECT CODE	STATE AMOUNT	OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL FUNDS	LOCAL AMOUNT	IN-KIND	TOTAL AMOUNT BUDGETED
1. Personnel Services (1000)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2. Employee Benefits (2000)					
3. Purchased Services (3000)					
4. Internal Services (4000)					
5. Other Charges (5000)					
6. Materials and Supplies (6000)					
7. Capital Outlay (8000)					
8. Parental Involvement (9000)					
	Form 6A (A)	Form 6A (B)	Form 6A (C.6)	Form 6A (C.7)	Form 6A (D)
TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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Program Narrative

In no more than five (5) pages, single or double spaced with at least a 10-size font, please respond to each of the questions below. Do not include any additional attachments, such as letters of support from other agencies either in the original or e-mailed copy. Provide each response with the corresponding question as numbered below.

1. Describe the program's staff development plan. Include topics and discuss how support personnel and classroom aides will be included in all planned in-service.
  
2. Describe the program's student assessment plan. Indicate how the program will assess readiness for kindergarten. Describe how assessment information will be shared with receiving kindergarten teachers and parents.
  
3. Describe the program's early literacy component such as rhyme awareness, upper and lower case alphabet knowledge, beginning sound knowledge, verbal memory, print knowledge, concept of word, and name writing.
  
4. Describe the program's social services, health services, and family involvement plan. How will staff complete ongoing home visits throughout the year? How will initial and ongoing health services be provided? How will parent meetings or workshops be provided? Discuss how parents will be trained to promote literacy at home.
  
5. List of all agencies on the program's planning team.
  
6. Provide a program calendar indicating the number of days for classroom instruction, teacher pre-service training, teacher in-service training, and parent training. A minimum of 180 classroom instructional days must be provided during the year. This does not include parent visitation days or home visitation days.
  
7. Describe the program's transportation plan. How will transportation services be provided to parents and students?

8. Provide a daily schedule of activities. Include the amount of time spent during the day specifically planned for literacy activities. The program must operate a minimum of six hours each day.
  
9. Provide the at-risk rating scale and/or local definition of “at-risk” used to determine eligibility for services.
  
10. Discuss the proposed outcome data and evaluation plan. For example, how data will be collected that will demonstrate that this program made a difference for students entering kindergarten.