

# Welcome to On My Way Pre-K

Indiana's first and only state-sponsored prekindergarten program

## New Pilot County Implementation

## 2019-20



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# Welcome All counties!



**ALL COUNTIES  
NOW  
ELIGIBLE!**



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# 2019-20 Enrollment timelines



- March 25, 2019 - Families in the 20 OMWPK Pilot counties began applying for the 2019-2020 Pre-K year
- April 22, 2019 - Intakes began contacting families from 20 OMWPK pilot counties to complete enrollment



- May 6, 2019-
  1. Governor Holcomb signed legislation making all counties eligible to participate in On My Way Pre
  2. Families in all counties began applying online or using a paper application
  3. OECOSL began contacting Level 3/Level 4 programs in the new counties to enroll as OMWPK approved programs.
- July 1, 2019 - Intakes began calling in families who have applied in new counties on a first come, first serve basis
- Enrollment will continue in ALL counties on a first come, first serve basis until funds are fully expended



# OMWPK Family eligibility 2019-2020

- Child must be 4 but not yet 5 years old by August 1, 2019.
- Child must be a resident of Indiana.
- Parents/guardians in the household must have a service need (working, going to school, attending job training).
- Families must earn less than 127% of federal poverty level.

(FPL information is available [by clicking here](#)).



# Provider eligibility 2019-2020

- Must currently be a Level 3/Level 4 Paths to QUALITY program
- Must complete an OMWPK provider application and sign an OMWPK Provider Agreement. Both can be found at:

<http://providers.brighterfuturesindiana.org/>



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# New provider steps

**Step 1** – Register with the Indiana Department of Education so you can administer the ISTAR-KR assessment

**Step 2** – *If you are **new** to receiving funding from the State of Indiana, additional steps are **required** to ensure your facility is set-up to receive payment.*

**Step 3** - Market your participation with On My Way Pre-K to families in your community!



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# I'M READY!

- ✓ Ready to make **NEW FRIENDS**
- ✓ Ready to **PLAY** and **BE CURIOUS**
- ✓ Ready to **TAKE ON NEW THINGS**
- ✓ Ready to learn how to **LEARN**

With On My Way Pre-K  
I'll be ready for **KINDERGARTEN!**

## **YOUR CHILD MAY QUALIFY FOR FREE, HIGH-QUALITY PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH ON MY WAY PRE-K.**

Did you know that 90% of a child's brain development happens by age five? Set your child up for success with a high-quality pre-K program. Your child will be building a foundation of skills, knowledge, and confidence to do well in kindergarten.

If your child will be 4 years old by August 1st and your family meets other program requirements, you can apply for On My Way Pre-K, Indiana's first pre-kindergarten funding for high-quality pre-K programs located within your community.

Find out if your child is eligible or to apply  
visit: [WWW.ONMYWAYPREK.ORG](http://WWW.ONMYWAYPREK.ORG) or call **1-800-299-1627**



On My Way Pre-K is in partnership with Family and Social Services Administration and locally supported.





# What does a successful Pre-K look like?

- Demonstrated kindergarten readiness for eligible children
- Demonstrated success in school over the longer term (includes academic as well as social and behavioral success)
- High level of family engagement
- Robust set of eligible providers across all provider types, e.g., private, public
- Coordinated use of existing state and federal funding streams, as well as private donations



# New counties - MATCH \$\$

- Indiana legislation requires a monetary match for each OMWPK grant. *At least five percent (5%) but not more than fifty percent (50%) of the tuition for children under the prekindergarten pilot program during the state fiscal year must be paid from:*
  - donations
  - gifts
  - grants
  - bequests
  - other funds
  - *These funds may be received from:*
    - a private entity or person
    - the United States government
    - other sources



*But cannot be paid from On My Way Pre-K grant funds or any other state funding.*



# New counties-MATCH \$\$

- County entities (United Way, County Foundations/Coalitions, etc.) may provide this match for their county or individual programs can collect funds from private donors or their own personal accounts.
- Match dollars are not required UPFRONT - MATCH DOLLARS will be calculated at the END of the pre-K year on EXACT state dollars paid for each OMWPK grant.



# Match example

The Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning only requires the minimum of 5% match on the state dollars that are attached to each grant.

- For 2019-2020 Pre-K year, each OMWPK grant is co-funded with CCDF (Child Care Development Fund) dollars and OMWPK funds. For 2019-2020, the split is approximately 70% CCDF and 30% OMWPK funds.

So for example, (*using nice round numbers for this example*) if your yearly (53 weeks) tuition is \$10,000.00 for a 4 year old child, the 5% match would only be \$ 150.00.






- $\$10,000 \div 30\% = \$3,000 \times 5\% = \$150.00$  for those 53 weeks or approximately **\$2.83 per week**.

For school programs that operate on a school calendar and only offer say 42 weeks, it could be less as only the portion of the child's grant that is pre-K is connected to this match. Let's say your school calendar program tuition is \$5,000.00 for the pre-k year.

- $\$5,000 \div 30\% = \$1,500 \times 5\% = \$75.00$  for those 42 weeks or approximately **\$1.79 per week**.



# OMWPK Program Rates

1. Providers are reimbursed based on weekly rates. 
  2. Payments are made on a bi-weekly basis. The payment is directly deposited into the provider's designated bank account through Conduent. 
  3. Reimbursement is determined based on the child's attendance. 
  4. Parents are allowed up to 20 personal days to use for absences or vacations from the program. 
  5. Providers are allowed 6 paid holidays and up to 5 paid inclement weather days, 
1. Programs declare their rate on the provider page. On My Way Pre-K County market rates are available by county on the [FSSA](#) website.
  2. Payments for On My Way Pre-K are made on the same day as payments for the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) program.
  3. If they only attend part-time (less than 25 hours per week), then half of the weekly reimbursement will be paid.
  4. The parent must authorize any personal days that are used.
  5. If these days are needed.



# OMWPK Family advantages 2019-2020



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# How you can help...

- What strategies will we use in our county to recruit eligible families?
- How can you help spread awareness about On My Way Pre-K?
- Can you speak to business that employ low wage earners as a benefit for their employees?
- How can you encourage all programs in your county to be high quality?



# Who you “Gonna” Call?



**800-299-1627 – Brighter Futures Call Center**

[www.onmywayprek.org](http://www.onmywayprek.org)

Best source of most up to date information for On My Way Pre-K.

The following slides have additional resources to help you:

- Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies
- Local Intake Agents
- Provider Portal – Attendance/Payments
- OECOSL Pre-K Consultants

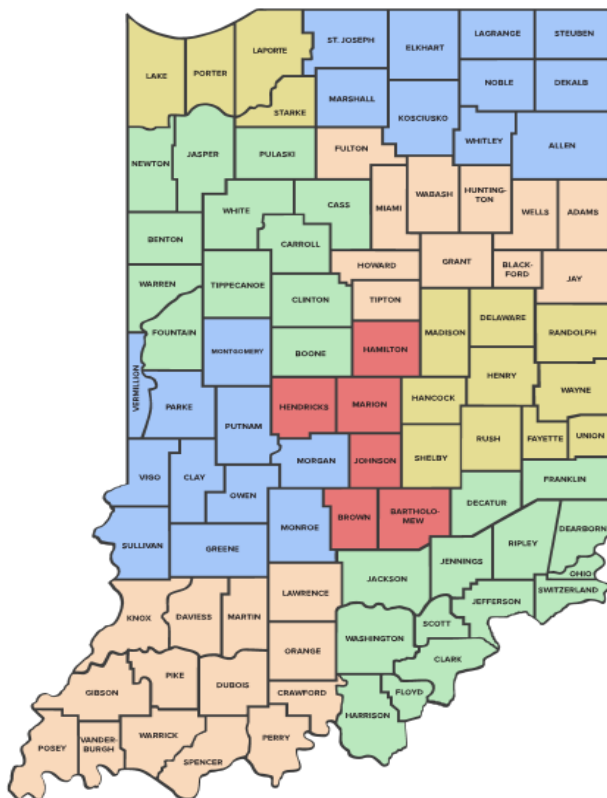


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# Child care Resource & Referral agencies

- <https://partnershipsforearlylearners.org/about/your-child-care-resource-referral-agency/>

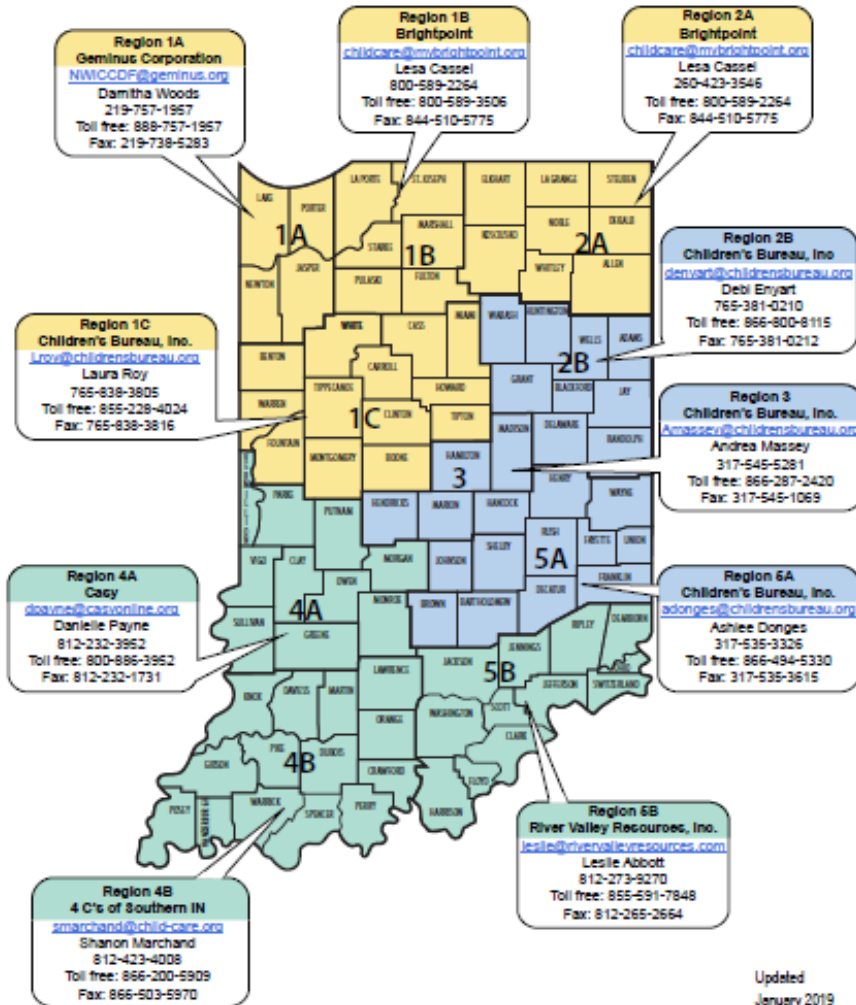


Please visit this website for an Interactive map and contact information

Just click on your county and the contact Information will appear



# Local Intake Agents



These agencies will complete the eligibility verifications with families and issue vouchers for On My Way Pre-K

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# Provider payment portal

- <https://www.hoosierchildcare.com/eccpw/>

This website was developed primarily to offer hands on, user friendly information to Indiana CCDF/OMWPK child care providers about the child care attendance information that is recorded in your Point of Service (POS) device and used to calculate your CCDF/OMWPK payments

- 1-800-422-0850

Use the following ID and password to speak with a live agent:

ID# 1234 Password #12345



# OECOSL Pre-K Consultants

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We look forward to working with you for  
a successful 2019-2020 Pre K year!



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