

Florida Division of Early Learning

SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE

Instructions

85% SMI	The 85% of the SMI that is included in the red font under each family size is the exit threshold. As a family size increases, the SMI becomes lower than the FPL. Even though this happens, the SMI indicated on the sliding fee scale is used as the exit threshold for that particular family size.	BG8-ECON
70% SMI	The 70% of the SMI that is included in the green font under each family size is the entry threshold for SR Match. As a family size increases, the SMI becomes lower than the FPL. Even though this happens, the SMI indicated on the sliding fee scale is used as the entry threshold for that particular family size.	SRMAT
TCA Clients	Income may exceed 85% of SMI as long as it remains below 185% of FPL.	BG3-TCAN, BG3W-TCAW, WRC-RC
TANF	Income may exceed 85% of SMI as long as it remains below 200% of FPL. If income increases above 200% FPL, they can be moved to BG8 until they reach the CCDF exit threshold of above	BG3AP-APP, BG3-28A, BG5-TCC
At-risk and special needs	Eligibility is not dependent on family income. Sliding fee scale assists in setting parent fee.	BG3R-RCG; BG1-IN, -OUT, -14R, -13, -11, -FAM, -HOME, -11D; CF-SN

Sliding Fee Scale for
Effective date

Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida
July 1, 2026

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SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE - Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and Dollar Copays

DAILY FEE		----- Annual Gross Income - Number of persons in Family -----															
Full-Time	Part-Time	FPL as indicated unless exceeds 85% SMI	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		50%FPL	7,980	10,820	13,660	16,500	19,340	22,180	25,020	27,860	30,700	33,540	36,380	39,220	42,060	44,900	47,740
			7,981	10,821	13,661	16,501	19,341	22,181	25,021	27,861	30,701	33,541	36,381	39,221	42,061	44,901	47,741
		75%FPL	11,970	16,230	20,490	24,750	29,010	33,270	37,530	41,790	46,050	50,310	54,570	58,830	63,090	67,350	71,610
			11,971	16,231	20,491	24,751	29,011	33,271	37,531	41,791	46,051	50,311	54,571	58,831	63,091	67,351	71,611
			15,959	21,639	27,319	32,999	38,679	44,359	50,039	55,719	61,399	67,079	72,759	78,439	84,119	89,799	95,479
		FPL	15,960	21,640	27,320	33,000	38,680	44,360	50,040	55,720	61,400	67,080	72,760	78,440	84,120	89,800	95,480
			18,621	25,247	31,874	38,501	45,128	51,755	58,382	65,009	71,635	78,262	84,889	91,516	98,143	104,770	111,397
			18,622	25,248	31,875	38,502	45,129	51,756	58,383	65,010	71,636	78,263	84,890	91,517	98,144	104,771	111,398
		70% SMI	21,281	28,855	36,428	44,002	51,576	59,150	66,723	74,297	81,871	89,444	97,018	104,592	112,166	118,069	120,340
			21,282	28,856	36,429	44,003	51,577	59,151	66,724	74,298	81,872	89,445	97,019	104,593	112,167	119,740	127,314
		70% SMI											113,528	115,799			
		150%FPL	23,940	32,460	40,980	49,500	58,020	66,540	75,060	83,580	92,100	100,620	109,140	117,660	126,180	134,700	143,220
			23,941	32,461	40,981	49,501	58,021	66,541	75,061	83,581	92,101	100,621	109,141	117,661	126,181	134,701	143,221
		70% SMI, 85% SMI	24,870	33,722	42,573	51,424	60,275	69,126	77,977	86,828	95,680	104,531	111,257	122,233	131,084	139,935	146,127
			24,871	33,723	42,574	51,425	60,276	69,127	77,978	86,829	95,681	104,532	113,383	122,234	131,085	139,936	148,786
		85% SMI	25,801	34,983	44,166	53,348	62,530	71,712	80,895	90,077	99,259	108,442	117,624	126,806	135,988	143,370	154,353
			25,802	34,984	44,167	53,349	62,531	71,713	80,896	90,078	99,260	108,443	117,625	126,807	135,989	145,172	154,354
		70% SMI, 85% SMI	26,731	36,245	45,758	55,272	64,785	74,299	83,812	93,325	102,839	112,352	121,866	131,379	140,893	150,406	159,919
			26,732	36,246	45,759	55,273	64,786	74,300	83,813	93,326	102,840	112,353	121,867	131,380	140,894	150,407	159,920
			27,662	37,506	47,351	57,196	67,040	76,885	86,729	96,574	106,418	116,263	126,108	135,952	145,797	155,641	165,486
			27,663	37,507	47,352	57,197	67,041	76,886	86,730	96,575	106,419	116,264	126,109	135,953	145,798	155,642	165,487
		70% SMI, 85% SMI	28,592	38,768	48,944	59,120	69,295	79,471	89,647	99,822	106,716	109,998	120,174	130,350	140,525	150,701	160,877
			28,593	38,769	48,945	59,121	69,296	79,472	89,648	99,823	109,999	120,175	130,351	140,526	150,702	160,878	171,053
		185%FPL	29,526	40,034	50,542	61,050	71,558	82,066	92,574	103,082	113,590	124,098	134,606	145,114	155,622	166,130	176,638
			29,527	40,035	50,543	61,051	71,559	82,067	92,575	103,083	113,591	124,099	134,607	145,115	155,623	166,131	176,639

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Full-Time	Part-Time	FPL as indicated unless exceeds	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		85% SMI															
		70% SMI, 85% SMI								104,446			135,098				
			30,723	41,657	52,591	63,525	74,459	85,393	96,327	107,261	118,195	129,129	140,063	150,997	161,931	172,865	183,799
			30,724	41,658	52,592	63,526	74,460	85,394	96,328	107,262	118,196	129,130	140,064	150,998	161,932	172,866	183,800
		85% SMI										132,342					
		200%FPL	31,920	43,280	54,640	66,000	77,360	88,720	100,080	111,440	122,800	134,160	145,520	156,880	168,240	179,600	190,960
			31,921	43,281	54,641	66,001	77,361	88,721	100,081	111,441	122,801	134,161	145,521	156,881	168,241	179,601	190,961
		70% SMI, 85% SMI							102,176		129,584						
			34,314	46,526	58,738	70,950	83,162	95,374	107,586	119,798	132,010	144,222	156,434	168,646	180,858	193,070	205,282
			34,315	46,527	58,739	70,951	83,163	95,375	107,587	119,799	132,011	144,223	156,435	168,647	180,859	193,071	205,283
		70% SMI				75,685	87,795	99,905									
			36,708	49,772	62,836	75,900	88,964	102,028	115,092	128,156	141,220	154,284	167,348	180,412	193,476	206,540	219,604
			36,709	49,773	62,837	75,901	88,965	102,029	115,093	128,157	141,221	154,285	167,349	180,413	193,477	206,541	219,605
		70% SMI	39,356	51,466	63,575												
		85% SMI	47,790	62,495	77,199	91,904	106,609	121,313	124,070	126,827							
Parents receiving hourly care pay up to the part time fee.											2026 Poverty Level (FPL) effective January 2026. FFY 2027 ANNUAL State Median Income Estimates						

Refer to 6M-4.400, F.A.C.

Income 85% State Median Income: Exit threshold for School Readiness program eligibility
Income 70% State Median Income: Entry threshold for School Readiness Match eligibility

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Florida Division of Early Learning
SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE for SCHOOL READINESS PROGRAM - Percentage-Based Copays Using SMI

DAILY FEE		----- Annual Gross Income - Number of People in the Family -----															
Full-Time	Part-Time		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
4.0%	2.0%	5% SMI	0 2,811	0 3,676	0 4,541	0 5,406	0 6,271	0 7,136	0 7,298	0 7,460	0 7,623	0 7,785	0 7,947	0 8,109	0 8,271	0 8,434	0 8,596
4.0%	2.0%	10% SMI	2,812 5,622	3,677 7,352	4,542 9,082	5,407 10,812	6,272 12,542	7,137 14,272	7,299 14,597	7,461 14,921	7,624 15,245	7,786 15,570	7,948 15,894	8,110 16,218	8,272 16,543	8,435 16,867	8,597 17,191
4.0%	2.0%	15% SMI	5,623 8,433	7,353 11,028	9,083 13,623	10,813 16,218	12,543 18,813	14,273 21,408	14,598 21,895	14,922 22,381	15,246 22,868	15,571 23,354	15,895 23,841	16,219 24,327	16,544 24,814	16,868 25,301	17,192 25,787
4.0%	2.0%	20% SMI	8,434 11,245	11,029 14,705	13,624 18,164	16,219 21,624	18,814 25,084	21,409 28,544	21,896 29,193	22,382 29,842	22,869 30,490	23,355 31,139	23,842 31,788	24,328 32,437	24,815 33,085	25,302 33,734	25,788 34,383
4.0%	2.0%	25% SMI	11,246 14,056	14,706 18,381	18,165 22,706	21,625 27,031	25,085 31,356	28,545 35,680	29,194 36,491	29,843 37,302	30,491 38,113	31,140 38,924	31,789 39,735	32,438 40,546	33,086 41,357	33,735 42,168	34,384 42,979
4.0%	2.0%	30% SMI	14,057 16,867	18,382 22,057	22,707 27,247	27,032 32,437	31,357 37,627	35,681 42,816	36,492 43,790	37,303 44,762	38,114 45,736	38,925 46,709	39,736 47,682	40,547 48,655	41,358 49,628	42,169 50,601	42,980 51,574
4.0%	2.0%	35% SMI	16,868 19,678	22,058 25,733	27,248 31,788	32,438 37,843	37,628 43,898	42,817 49,952	43,791 51,088	44,763 52,223	45,737 53,358	46,710 54,494	47,683 55,629	48,656 56,764	49,629 57,899	50,602 59,035	51,575 60,170
4.0%	2.0%	40% SMI	19,679 22,489	25,734 29,409	31,789 36,329	37,844 43,249	43,899 50,169	49,953 57,088	51,089 58,386	52,224 59,683	53,359 60,981	54,495 62,278	55,630 63,576	56,765 64,873	57,900 66,171	59,036 67,468	60,171 68,766
4.0%	2.0%	45% SMI	22,490 25,300	29,410 33,085	36,330 40,870	43,250 48,655	50,170 56,440	57,089 64,224	58,387 65,684	59,684 67,144	60,982 68,603	62,279 70,063	63,577 71,523	64,874 72,982	66,172 74,442	67,469 75,902	68,767 77,361
4.0%	2.0%	50% SMI	25,301 28,112	33,086 36,762	40,871 45,411	48,656 54,061	56,441 62,711	64,225 71,361	65,685 72,983	67,145 74,604	68,604 76,226	70,064 77,848	71,524 79,470	72,983 81,092	74,443 82,714	75,903 84,335	77,362 85,957
4.0%	2.0%	55% SMI	28,113 30,923	36,763 40,438	45,412 49,952	54,062 59,467	62,712 68,982	71,362 78,497	72,984 80,281	74,605 82,064	76,227 83,849	77,849 85,633	79,471 87,416	81,093 89,201	82,715 90,985	84,336 92,769	85,958 94,553
6.0%	3.0%	60% SMI	30,924 33,734	40,439 44,114	49,953 54,493	59,468 64,873	68,983 75,253	78,498 85,633	80,282 87,579	82,065 89,525	83,850 91,471	85,634 93,418	87,417 95,363	89,202 97,310	90,986 99,256	92,770 101,202	94,554 103,148
6.0%	3.0%	65% SMI	33,735 36,545	44,115 47,790	54,494 59,034	64,874 70,279	75,254 81,524	85,634 92,769	87,580 94,877	89,526 96,985	91,472 99,094	93,419 101,202	95,364 103,310	97,311 105,419	99,257 107,528	101,203 109,636	103,149 111,744

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Florida Division of Early Learning
SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE for SCHOOL READINESS PROGRAM - Percentage-Based Copays Using SMI

DAILY FEE		----- Annual Gross Income - Number of People in the Family -----															
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Full-Time	Part-Time		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			36,546	47,791	59,035	70,280	81,525	92,770	94,878	96,986	99,095	101,203	103,311	105,420	107,529	109,637	111,745
6.0%	3.0%	70% SMI	39,356	51,466	63,575	75,685	87,795	99,905	102,176	104,446	106,716	108,987	111,257	113,528	115,799	118,069	120,340
			39,357	51,467	63,576	75,686	87,796	99,906	102,177	104,447	106,717	108,988	111,258	113,529	115,800	118,070	120,341
6.0%	3.0%	75% SMI	42,167	55,142	68,117	81,092	94,067	107,041	109,474	111,906	114,339	116,772	119,204	121,637	124,070	126,503	128,936
			42,168	55,143	68,118	81,093	94,068	107,042	109,475	111,907	114,340	116,773	119,205	121,638	124,071	126,504	128,937
6.0%	3.0%	80% SMI	44,978	58,818	72,658	86,498	100,338	114,177	116,772	119,366	121,962	124,557	127,151	129,746	132,342	134,936	137,531
			44,979	58,819	72,659	86,499	100,339	114,178	116,773	119,367	121,963	124,558	127,152	129,747	132,343	134,937	137,532
6.0%	3.0%	85% SMI	47,790	62,495	77,199	91,904	106,609	121,313	124,070	126,827	129,584	132,342	135,098	137,856	140,613	143,370	146,127

Parents receiving hourly care pay up to the part time fee.

FFY 2027 ANNUAL State Median Income Estimates

Refer to 6M-4.400, F.A.C.

55% SMI	Entry threshold for School Readiness program eligibility.
70% SMI	Entry threshold for School Readiness Match eligibility
85% SMI	Upper threshold for School Readiness program eligibility

100% SMI																
Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	56,223	73,523	90,822	108,122	125,422	142,721	145,965	149,208	152,452	155,696	158,939	162,183	165,427	168,670	171,914	

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SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE for SCHOOL READINESS PLUS PROGRAM

DAILY FEE

----- Annual Gross Income - Number of People in the Family -----

Full-Time	Part-Time		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8.0%	4.0%	85% SMI + \$1	47,791	62,496	77,200	91,905	106,610	121,314	124,071	126,828	129,585	132,343	135,099	137,857	140,614	143,371	146,128
		90% SMI	50,601	66,171	81,740	97,310	112,880	128,449	131,369	134,287	137,207	140,126	143,045	145,965	148,884	151,803	154,723
9.0%	4.5%	90% SMI + \$1	50,602	66,172	81,741	97,311	112,881	128,450	131,370	134,288	137,208	140,127	143,046	145,966	148,885	151,804	154,724
		95% SMI	53,412	69,847	86,281	102,716	119,151	135,585	138,667	141,748	144,829	147,911	150,992	154,074	157,156	160,237	163,318
10.0%	5.0%	95% SMI + \$1	53,413	69,848	86,282	102,717	119,152	135,586	138,668	141,749	144,830	147,912	150,993	154,075	157,157	160,238	163,319
		100% SMI	56,223	73,523	90,822	108,122	125,422	142,721	145,965	149,208	152,452	155,696	158,939	162,183	165,427	168,670	171,914

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Refer to 1002.935, Florida Statutes

Income 100% State Median Income: Upper threshold for eligibility

State Median Income (SMI) by Household Size for Optional Use in FFY 2026 and Mandatory Use in FFY 2027															
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
100% SMI, rounded to the dollar	56,223	73,523	90,822	108,122	125,422	142,721	145,965	149,208	152,452	155,696	158,939	162,183	165,427	168,670	171,914