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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 21, 2022

TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs
Preschool Coordinators, Exceptional Children Programs
Chief Finance Officers

FROM: Amy Rhyne, Office of Early Learning 
Sherry Thomas, Exceptional Children Division 

RE: Allocation for PRC 119- Preschool Projects

The Preschool Exceptional Children Program is pleased to announce the release of funds to PRC 119 to support: 1) LEA Preschool Coordinators professional development, 2) Preschool Demonstration Assessment Teams, 3) LEAs in the targeted Preschool Pyramid Model (PPM) project, and 4) Regional Representative Support.

Each LEA has been allotted \$2,000 to ensure their preschool leaders and/or staff participates in professional development events designed to support preschool initiatives related to child find and serving children with disabilities. These funds can be used for related travel expenses as applicable. Cumberland, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Wake, Guilford, and Forsyth Counties will be allotted \$4,000 to support additional staff participation. LEA Preschool Coordinators who serve as regional representatives will also receive additional funds. Allocation amounts for the Preschool Demonstration Assessment Teams, the targeted PPM projects, and regional support must align with the approved activities, spending plans and assurances. The use of a unique identifier would assist with tracking and efficiently monitoring the use of funds per spending initiative.

As a reminder, funding for the Preschool Demonstration Assessment Teams project will be discontinued after the 2021-22 school year. Teams will be funded for the 2021-22 school year at the same funding rate as was received during the 2020-21 school year.

If you have any questions related to the funding, please contact Dawn Meskil at 828-649-5290, dawn.meskil@dpi.nc.gov or Keashia Walker at 984-208-6695, keashia.walker@dpi.nc.gov.

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