

Summary of the CCFC School Readiness Initiative

Purpose	To improve the ability of families, schools and communities to prepare children to enter school ready to succeed
Strategy	Provide incentive matching funds to Prop. 10 County Commissions that fund locally tailored School Readiness Programs in communities served by low performing schools
Total Funding from CCFC	\$200M over 4 years, including implementation and matching funds
Implementation Funds	<p>Allocation: Between \$25K and \$100K annually (in addition to CCFC matching funds allocation) for commissions partnering to develop School Readiness Programs; amount determined by size of county's annual matching funds allocation</p> <p>County Match: None</p>
Matching Funds	<p>Allocation (for 45 counties with schools in API deciles 1-3): Based on blending of county birth rates and the approximate number of children to be served by schools in API deciles 1-3; minimum annual allocation is \$100K</p> <p>Allocation (for 13 counties without schools in API deciles 1-3): Based on blending of county birth rates and "special factors;" annual allocation is \$100,000 per year</p> <p>County Match: Counties must provide a 1:1 cash match (\$1 of local cash match leverages \$1 of State Prop. 10 funds)</p>
Definition of School Readiness	<p>The School Readiness Programs use the CCFC-adopted National Education Goals Panel definition of school readiness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• children's readiness for school• schools' readiness for children• family and community supports and services that contribute to children's readiness for school success
The Five Essential & Coordinated Elements	<p>Each of the following 5 Elements must be present in some form within each School Readiness Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• early care and education with kindergarten transition programs• parenting/family support services• health and social services• school capacity to prepare children and families for school success• program infrastructure, administration and evaluation