SUMMARY OF PREK PRIVATE PROVIDER PARTNERSHIPS

Presentation to the 2015 Joint Subcommittee

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Summary of Participation Data

as Reported by DOE

Out of the 135 school divisions:

- 118, or 87%, are eligible and participate using 18,265 (72%) of total available budgeted 25,460 slots
  - 68 @ 100%
  - 19 @ 76% to 99%
  - 15 @ 50% to 75%
  - 16 @ less than 49%
- 11, or 8%, are eligible but do not participate
- 6, or 5%, are not eligible to participate

Majority of participating divisions offer the PreK program within their own schools, however, there are 7 school divisions that have partnership with a private provider for this fall

- Albemarle
- Alexandria
- Alleghany
- Chesapeake
- Fairfax County
- Hampton
- Virginia Beach

New Budget Language

- In conjunction with the action that established the Joint Subcommittee for Preschool, the General Assembly also adopted new budget language within the Virginia Preschool Initiative that directed DOE to
  - Provide information in the program's application package about the potential availability of funding for supplemental grants that may be used for one-time expenses, other than capital, related to start-up or expansion of VPI programs
  - Give specific priority to those submitted grant proposals that request funding to add or expand the use of partnerships with either nonprofit or for-profit providers
  - After the fall participation reports have been submitted in the fall, communicate to all eligible school divisions the available balance in the program's adopted budget that could be used for the grants

Summary of FY 2016 Projected Enrollment Data for School Divisions with Private Provider Partnerships

School Division	Program Delivery			Student Slots			
	Public	Private For-Profit	Private Non-Profit	Available	Full-Time Used	Half-Time* Used	Unused
Alexandria	x	x	x	527	429	0	98
Fairfax County	x	x	x	2,521	1,628	0	893
Albemarle	x	x	-	182	155	0	27
Hampton	x	-	x	625	625	0	0
Alleghany	-	-	x	47	45	0	2
Chesapeake	-	-	x	593	304	0	289
Virginia Beach	-	-	x	1,066	704	0	362
				5,561	3,890	0	1,671
Remaining 128 School Divisions	x	-	-	19,899	14,025	702	5,523
			TOTAL	25,460	17,915	702	7,194

* Equivalent to 1/2 slot on total count

Overview of School Divisions and Private Provider Partnerships

Albemarle

- Bright Stars program is coordinated between the local elementary schools and the Department of Social Services for 4-year-old students who may be at risk for developmental or educational problems.
- A variety of child and family risk factors are considered, including low income, limited education or illiteracy of the parent, single parent household, and family stressors such as unemployment or mental/physical health problems -- eligibility is based on need, as determined by assessment of these risk factors.
- During FY 2015, the division contracted with a local private provider because classroom space was not available, and had 3 students served by a non-profit provider along with 131 students enrolled within the school division.

Alleghany

- YMCA Early Child Development Program provides children with an opportunity to participate in creative, research-based curriculums that include an appreciation for language and literature, listening, speaking, reading, and writing by using a variety of strategies.
- Program focus is on values and lessons that include interaction with others and problem solving skills.
- During FY 2015, the YMCA program served a total of 39 students.

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Virginia Beach

- Early Discoveries program is contracted through the YMCA of South Hampton Roads and is designed to provide quality preschool services to at-risk four-year-old children who are not currently enrolled in a preschool program.
- The program serves those children who are continuously exposed to high-risk factors and situations that are likely to have an adverse impact on their social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development.
- During FY 2015, the YMCA program served a total of 690 students.

Chesapeake

- Early Adventures program is contracted through the YMCA of South Hampton Roads offers the to students who meet specific at-risk criteria.
- Designed to give children a developmentally appropriate, hands-on learning environment for children.
- Program's curriculum includes interest centers for activities such as dramatic play, exploration of sand & water, computer learning, cooking, art/science experiences, and outside play.
- During FY 2015, the YMCA program served a total of 304 students.

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Hampton

- Robert R. Moton Early Childhood Center offers a full day education program for pre-kindergarten at-risk students who may experience or be exposed to factors that potentially could have a negative impact on their ability to learn.
- The Center uses a developmentally appropriate curriculum that is aligned with the DOE's Virginia Foundation Blocks of Learning: Comprehensive Standards for Four-Year-Olds.
- During FY 2015, a total of 126 students were served by the Center.

Presentations from School Divisions on their PreK Private Provider Partnerships

Alexandria

- Alexandria has been an active participant in the VPI program for since the mid-90s. For many years community providers were the primary providers of VPI services. Today there is a robust partnership among school district and private providers to address the needs of preschool children served through VPI funding.
- Success for All Curiosity Corner is a collaborative program that uses learning centers that target developmental areas with the goal of school readiness: emerging literacy, early math skills, fine & gross motor, music, art, science & dramatic play.
- The program implements curricular activities that are aligned to the Virginia Foundation Blocks for Early Learning.
- The program's focus has a play-based curriculum with emphasis on facilitating language development, social skills, problem solving skills and physical development. In addition, literacy, math, science, social studies, art, music and physical activities are incorporated into learning opportunities for the students.
- During FY 2015, ACPS had a total of 226 served through their private Non-Profit provider partnership.

Fairfax County

- School Readiness is a joint priority of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors & the Fairfax County School Board
- Together, the Fairfax County Office for Children and Fairfax County Public Schools support children and families throughout Fairfax County in a mixed delivery system and provides high quality child, family, and staff education and services that address the diverse characteristics and needs of the community
- During FY 2015, a total of 1,584 preschool children and families were served through the public schools, non-profit and for profit settings: a total of 270 served through their private For-Profit and Non-Profit provider partnerships.