

Durham PreK Standards and Policies

Durham PreK sites will follow all NC Pre-K standards and policies in addition to Durham PreK standards and policies. Durham PreK is in its developmental stages. The Durham PreK Governance Committee will continue to adopt and revise standards and policies. These are the current Durham PreK Program Requirements, Standards and Policies sites must follow during SY 2018-2019:

- Durham PreK applicants must agree to at least one visit during the application period. Finalists will have a CLASS assessment completed as part of the application.
- Durham PreK sites must agree to weekly quality improvement services from Technical Assistance (TA) staff.
- Durham PreK providers must agree to Durham PreK Provider Licensing and Regulatory Compliance Requirements which include the following provisions:
 - Programs must have and maintain a 5-star rated license as a Durham PreK provider.
 - Programs may not have prior Administrative Actions related to Child Maltreatment within the past 12 months.
 - Program applicants and Durham PreK providers must notify CCSA's Durham PreK management team of any open/pending or arising investigations by NCDCDEE.
 - Programs will be required to notify CCSA's Durham PreK management team within 10 days of official notification of an Administrative Action by NCDCDEE, including, but not limited to written warnings, civil penalties or probationary or provisional licenses.
- Durham PreK providers will be reimbursed at a rate of \$1250 per child, per month in classrooms with lead teachers with BK License and \$1200 per child, per month in classrooms with lead teachers with a BA in Early Childhood/Child Development (or related field) and working toward a BK license or holding a provisional BK License and actively working towards completing their BK license requirements and education plan.
- Durham PreK lead teachers with a BK license must be compensated according to Durham Public Schools' certified teacher salary schedule. Durham PreK lead teachers working toward a BK license or holding a provisional BK License must be compensated according to Department of Public Instruction's salary schedule.
- Durham PreK teacher assistants with an AA degree must be compensated according to DPS' classified pay scale starting at \$12.75 an hour (at a minimum).