COLORADO
Department of Early Childhood

Dear Universal Preschool Program Partners,

This message provides key information for the upcoming 2027-28 program year of Universal Preschool (UPK).

We are excited to announce the launch of the 2027-28 UPK Application. The Colorado Universal Preschool general application for the 2027-28 program year will be available December 8, 2026, regardless of whether they qualify for pre-registration enrollment or are new to the Colorado Universal Preschool Program. Only those eligible for pre-registration will be placed during this phase. Those who are not eligible for pre-registration will be placed in the first round of family-to-provider matching. All three and four year old children who have an active IEP will complete a 2027-28 Universal preschool application. Please see the provider handbook which includes the family timeline for more information on each phase.

Key Resources:

- Family Handbook
- UPK Provider Portal
- UPK Provider Handbook

Thank you for your ongoing partnership in getting us to the launch of year five (5) of the Colorado Universal Preschool Program.

Sincerely,

Colorado Universal Preschool Program