

**School Readiness Director’s Report**

**December 2, 2020 Council meeting**

**SR FY21**

October Utilization and Funding

Number of Centers offering on-site services: 24 out of 29

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| Current SR COVID capacity | 775 |
| Utilization  *On-site* | 570\* 74%  *437* 54*%* |
| Current openings | 205 26% |

*\*Includes 133 children receiving distance learning (129 at NHBOE, 4 at Farnam)*

Income data of currently served families:

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| Family income <50%SMI | 475 84% |
| Family income <75% SMI  *(55 families btwn 51-75%)* | 530 93% |
| Over income Families | 41 7% |
| % of over income allowed by NHECC | 143 25% |

SR payments to providers: Oct. payments processed Nov 13 (checks rec’d by Nov 20)

\*Nov. payments processed Nov 16 (checks rec’d by Nov27)

*\*OEC changing funding calculation. Will positively impact larger programs. Payments delayed for them until new forms received.*

COVID Update

* Of 24 centers open from July-September: 2 centers closed due to Covid

from Oct 1 to Nov 30: 3 centers closed a classroom

10 closed the center

* Some centers are experiencing a shortage of staff due to Covid. Staff are afraid to work or have underlying conditions that prevent them from working.
* Two multi-site programs have consolidated to one location.
* Gateway Community College Early Learning Center converted to distant learning during the College’s shut down through mid-January

Supporting programs interested in applying for SR funds

Sheryl Sadinsky is contracted to provide support to the 3 interested centers: All Our Children, Advance Day Care and First Steps Learning Center. She has met with all of them via an introductory zoom meeting and started work with 2 (as of Nov 17).