

## CARES Act Grant FAQs

1. My center/school is a VPK only site that was closed on 4/30/2020 and I do not have a CLASS score nor Gold Seal. Would I be eligible for either of the grants? **Not currently**
2. How is the child capacity configured? **DCF license capacity**
3. If my center/school is exempt from CLASS, would I qualify? **Only if you were open as of 4/30/20, which would qualify you for Emergency Child Care Relief. If you were closed as of 4/30/20 and don't have a CLASS score; then you would need to have GOLD Seal status in order to apply for the High-Quality Reopening Grant.**
4. Where is the attachment 5 that was referenced in the email? **Attachment 5 is the budget charts we included in the email to make it easier.**
5. What amount should I use for the budget? **The budget amount would be the amount expected to be received from the grant. You can calculate that amount using the chart below:**

Phase II: High-Quality Reopening Support Grants for Early Learning/Child Care Providers		
Contracted (SR/VPK)		
Capacity Range	Base Grant Funding	Bonus for Serving Infant/Toddler and/or Special Needs
0 - 12	\$ 1,575	\$ 2,000
13 - 20	\$ 2,625	\$ 2,000
21 - 74	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,000
75 -149	\$ 8,400	\$ 2,000
150+	\$ 12,600	\$ 2,000

6. What should be included for the Reopening Plan Narrative? **Your plan on reopening the center by 8/1/20 if currently closed.**
7. When should we expect the funds to be issued? **Within 15 days of submitting application.**
8. What is the program year for the CARES Act application? **2019 - 2020**
9. If I was open on 4/30/2020, do I need to complete the Reopening Plan Narrative section and the Budget section? **No**

10. Where can I locate my EFS Provider ID?

**Note:** The application asks for “EFS Profile ID”—please record your “Provider ID” which can be found on the Home Page of the OEL Portal. See screenshots below.

**Early Learning/Child Care Provider Eligibility Form: SR/VPK Provider**

Program Year 2019 - 2020      Indicate option for emergency/enhanced quality grant opportunity

Select ONE:

a. Open on 4/30/2020 - Emergency Child Care Relief Grant (Phase 1 Open)

b. Closed on 4/30/2020 - High-Quality Reopening Support Grant (Phase II Closed)  
Reopen/Planned Reopening Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print and fill out completely.

Early Learning/Child Care Provider

**1. Provider Information**

Legal Name of Provider and d/b/a (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Provider email address \_\_\_\_\_ EFS Profile ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Eligibility Criteria for each Early Learning/Child Care Provider**

The screenshot shows the OEL Portal Home page with a navigation menu at the top: Home, Business, Profile, Contracts, Enrollments, Attendance, Documents, Profile: 2020 - 2021, Hello, Log Off, and settings icons. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Common Tasks:** Manage Sites (Manage All Sites), Manage Users (Manage All Users), Manage VPK Applications and Contracts (VPK Provider Application, Manage VPK Instructors, Calendars, and Classes, Statewide VPK Provider Contract, VPK Contract Amendment), and Manage SR Contracts (Statewide SR Provider Contract, SR Contract Amendment).
- Broadcast Messages:** No messages to display.
- Coalition Messages:** No notifications or alerts to display.
- Provider Site Summary:** Business name, Doing business as, **Provider ID:** (highlighted in yellow), License number, and SSN / Federal ID number.
- Frequently-Used Links:** Bright Beginnings, Core Competencies (Coming Soon), DCF Provider Training, Provider Portal User Guide, Quality Performance System (QPS), and VPK Provider Readiness Rate Website.