

## Early Childhood Educator INCENTIVE\$ FLORIDA PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE & PROGRAM SUPPORT MATRIX

Approximate Caseload*	Children's Forum Costs	Stipend Costs paid by Coalitions** (cumulative total for all Coalitions)	Approximate % of Costs (5% admin and 17% program support)
450-500	110,000	500,000	22%
501-1,000	220,000	1,000,000	22%
1,001 - 1,500	330,000	1,500,000	22%
1,501-2,000	440,000	2,000,000	22%
2,001 - 2,500	550,000	2,500,000	22%

\*The caseload varies depending on the level. There are eight levels on the INCENTIVE\$ scale.

\*\* Coalitions would be responsible for deciding how much they will invest in INCENTIVE\$ stipends. The cumulative total of all coalitions who would elect to participate would determine the amount of costs for program operation through the Forum. School Readiness and VPK quality dollars can be used to fund INCENTIVE\$.

Coalition participation could be based on an assessment of those who would plan to participate so that a more accurate analysis could be completed. The costs to the Children's Forum is based on an annual contract to cover the administrative and program support to administer Early Childhood Educator INCENTIVE\$ statewide. Sample contracts are available upon request.

Early Childhood Educator INCENTIVE\$ Florida retains the early childhood workforce and rewards educational advancement to ensure quality early learning experiences for young children. INCENTIVE\$, through its affiliation with Child Care WAGE\$<sup>®</sup> is a nationally recognized, evidence-based program. Operated by the Children's Forum, the program provides early educators with financial incentives based on their education and continued employment. In conjunction with the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood<sup>®</sup> Scholarship Program, INCENTIVE\$ participants receive education, technical assistance, quality assurance, and financial support.

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