

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL

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Various Dates at

Kindergarten Round Up

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Contact:

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TO: All Elementary School Principals

FROM: Michael J. Burke, Chief Operating Officer

SUBJECT: Florida KidCare - Kindergarten Round-Up Information Distribution

There are approximately 500,000 uninsured children living in Florida, and close to 50,000 uninsured children currently residing in Palm Beach County. With your help, we can work toward decreasing that number significantly.

Florida Kidcare is the State's health insurance program that covers children ages 0-18. Premium payments for eligible families enrolled in Florida KidCare can range from as low as \$0 to \$20 per month.

Our District has received a grant to personally assist families in the application process for Florida KidCare. We will be sending your school informational flyers to include as part of your Kindergarten Enrollment Packets. Please distribute these flyers to families at your Kindergarten Round-Up and retain the master copy to include as part of the new enrollment packets you distribute when families come in to register for school.

Additionally, the District has partnered with the Health Council of South Florida to reach out to schools to participate in Kindergarten Round-Ups. You may be receiving a call requesting an opportunity for a KidCare representative to attend your Kindergarten-Round Up. We will be distributing information, answering questions, and scheduling appointments to meet families and help them apply for Florida KidCare. Due to staff size, the ability to visit each school is limited. If you would like your school to be included as a "chosen school to visit" or you are hosting another event that would appreciate a KidCare presence, please e-mail Megan Usow directly at Megan.Usow@palmbeachschools.org.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this important program. You can find more information at http://www.palmbeachschools.org/riskmgmt/floridakidcare.asp or contact Megan Usow directly at 561-351-4572.

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