



**Interoffice Memorandum**

March 3, 2021

**AGENDA ITEM**

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings  
-AND-  
County Commissioners

THRU: Lonnie C. Bell, Jr., Director *Lonnie C. Bell, Jr.*  
Community and Family Services Department

FROM: Sonya L. Hill, Manager *Sonya L. Hill*  
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SUBJECT: **Consent Agenda Item – March 23, 2021**  
Orange County Head Start Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2020-2021  
All Districts

The Head Start Division requests Board approval of Orange County Head Start Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2021-2022. The eligibility priority selection criteria is required to establish a formal selection process, as mandated by the Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007 and Head Start Program Performance Standard 1302.14 which indicates that a program must annually establish selection criteria that weigh the prioritization of selection of participants, based on community needs identified in the community needs assessment as described in §1302.11 (b).

The eligibility priority selection criteria is used to determine the selection of eligible children for the Head Start Program.

The Head Start Policy Council approved the eligibility priority selection criteria on March 3, 2021 at a special called meeting.

**ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of Orange County Head Start Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2021-2022 to establish a formal selection process for eligible children and families. All Districts.**

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Attachment

c: Carla Bell Johnson, Assistant County Administrator

BCC Mtg. Date: March 23, 2021

### Orange County Head Start

	Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2021-2022	Points 2019-20	Community Assessment	Proposed Points 2021-22
<b>A</b>	<b>Age</b>			
	4 years	95	HSPPS	95
	3 years	55	HSPPS	55
<b>B</b>	<b>Eligibility</b>			
	Homeless: McKinney Vento Act	500	HSPPS	500
	Homeless with limited English Proficiency/unsheltered: McKinney Vento Act	0	HSPPS/CA2020 (Page 43)	510
	Foster Child	400	HSPPS	400
	Public Assistance: Currently in TANF/SSI benefits	100	HSPPS	100
	Income Eligible: 0%-25% Poverty Level	100	HSPPS	100
	Income Eligible: 26%-50% Poverty Level	75	HSPPS	75
	Income Eligible: 51%-75% Poverty	50	HSPPS	50
	Income Eligible: 76%-100% Poverty	25	HSPPS	25
	Over Income: Over 100% Poverty Level	0	HSPPS	0
<b>C</b>	<b>Disability</b>			
	Diagnosed (Public School IEP-Not older than a year)	300	CA2017(Page 4)	300
	Diagnosed (Documented by Professional)	100	CA2017(Page 4)	100
	Suspected (Documented by Professional)	25	CA2017(Page 4)	25
<b>D</b>	<b>Family Risk Factors (Choose all that apply)</b>			
	Child Abuse/Neglected (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (Page 56)	10
	Alcohol, Drug Abuse, or Mental Illness (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (Page 49-50)	10
	No Access to Medical Care (Parent with No Insurance or Not Eligible)	10	CA2017 (P7) CA2016(Page49-50)	10
	Currently one or both parents/legal guardians unemployed and looking for employment	10	CA2016 (Page49-50) CA2017(Page 5-8)	10
	Currently No GED or No Adult Education Completed	10	CA2016 (Page49-50) CA2017(Page5-8)	10
	Currently Income earned is not enough to cover rent and basic needs	10	CA2016 (Page49-50) CA2017(Page 5-8)	10
	Foster, Kinship, Legal Guardian, Legal Relative Caregiver or due to incarcerations of parents, substance abuse by parents, illness, disability or death of parents, parental abuse or neglect (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (Page16)	10
	Grandparent Caregiver or Guardian	0	CA2020 (Page 23 & 82)	20
	Immigrants/Refugees (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (Page21)	10
	Single Parent	10	CA2017 (Page4) CA2016(P30)	10
	Limited access to reliable, safe and affordable transportation	0	CA2020 (Page 45)	10
	Food Insecurity (lack of food during the month/without food stamps)	0	CA2020 (Page 56)	10
<b>E</b>	<b>Child Risk Factors (Choose all that apply)</b>			
	Health Chronic Illness (Documented by Professional)	10	CA2016(Page49-50)	10
	Child Nutritional Needs (Special Diet/WIC Documented by Professional or Agency)	10		10
	No Access to Medical Care (Parent with No Insurance or Not Eligible)	10	CA2017(Page 7) CA2016(Page49-50)	10
<b>F</b>	<b>Transition and Continuation of Services</b>			
	Transitioning from Early Head Start/Head Start Program (Documented by Agency)	25	HSPPS	200
	2018-2019 (2021-2022) Eligible Waitlisted Child	5		5

Dates:

2/19/2021

Proposed by ERSEA Advisory Committee