

LICENSED CENTER NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY #747

APPLICANT INFO SESSION

JANUARY 30 AND FEBRUARY 1, 2017



Before we get started....

**Please write any initial
questions**

on one of the flip charts on the wall.



AGENDA REVIEW

- Welcome and OECE Overview
- What is a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)?
- Overview of Citywide Plan for Early Care and Education and Early Learning Scholarship Concept
- Key Features of the Notice of Funding Availability
- Questions and Answers



FOR QUESTIONS

- Write your question clearly on an index card.
- Use the following colored cards for the type of question you have:
 - **Green:** Minimum Qualifications
 - **Pink:** Early Learning Scholarship funding
 - **Orange:** Preschool for All funding
 - **Yellow:** Other
- Please hold your questions until the end of the presentation



OECE OVERVIEW

- Created by Mayor Edwin Lee in 2012
- Mission: Improve access to high quality early care and education
- Goals:
 - (1) coordinate and increase funding
 - (2) support and empower the workforce
 - (3) enhance the early care and education system



WHAT IS A NOFA?

- A NOFA is a Notice of Funding Availability. It is a way the City seeks funding requests from the public.
- This NOFA qualifies providers to receive City funding.
- Each application will be evaluated by a review panel using the criteria described in the NOFA.
- You must submit a complete application to be considered for funding.
- OECE anticipates that not all applications will be funded and/or funded at their requested amount, due to limited funding.
- OECE must adhere to a formal city process and cannot provide individual technical assistance.



TIMELINE

1/27/17

ELS
NOFA
Issued

2/14/17

Deadline
to Submit
Questions

Early May
2017

Notice of
Tentative
Awards

7/1/17

Day 1 of
Funding

1/30-
2/3/17

NOFA
Applicant
Information
Sessions

3/3/17
Applications
Due

May-June
2017
Awardees
Complete
Funding
Agreements



HOW OECE FUNDING WORKS

OECE:

Qualifies FCCs to receive City funding



ECE Integrated Services Grantee:

Funded by OECE to administer subsidies, determine need & eligibility, and process payments to providers



Qualified FCC Provider:

Agrees to OECE's terms and receives OECE funding from ECE Integrated Services Grantee

OECE STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Citywide Plan for Early Care & Education Endorsed Recommendations

Birth-to-Five
Approach

Racial Equity
and Diversity

Quality
Improvement

Family
Engagement

Professional
Development
and
Workforce

Financing
Models

Key Concepts

Early Learning Scholarship

Connections

Improving Family & Provider Experience

Initial System Improvement Strategies

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Pay fairer rates
to providers

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Ensure
continuity
of care for
families

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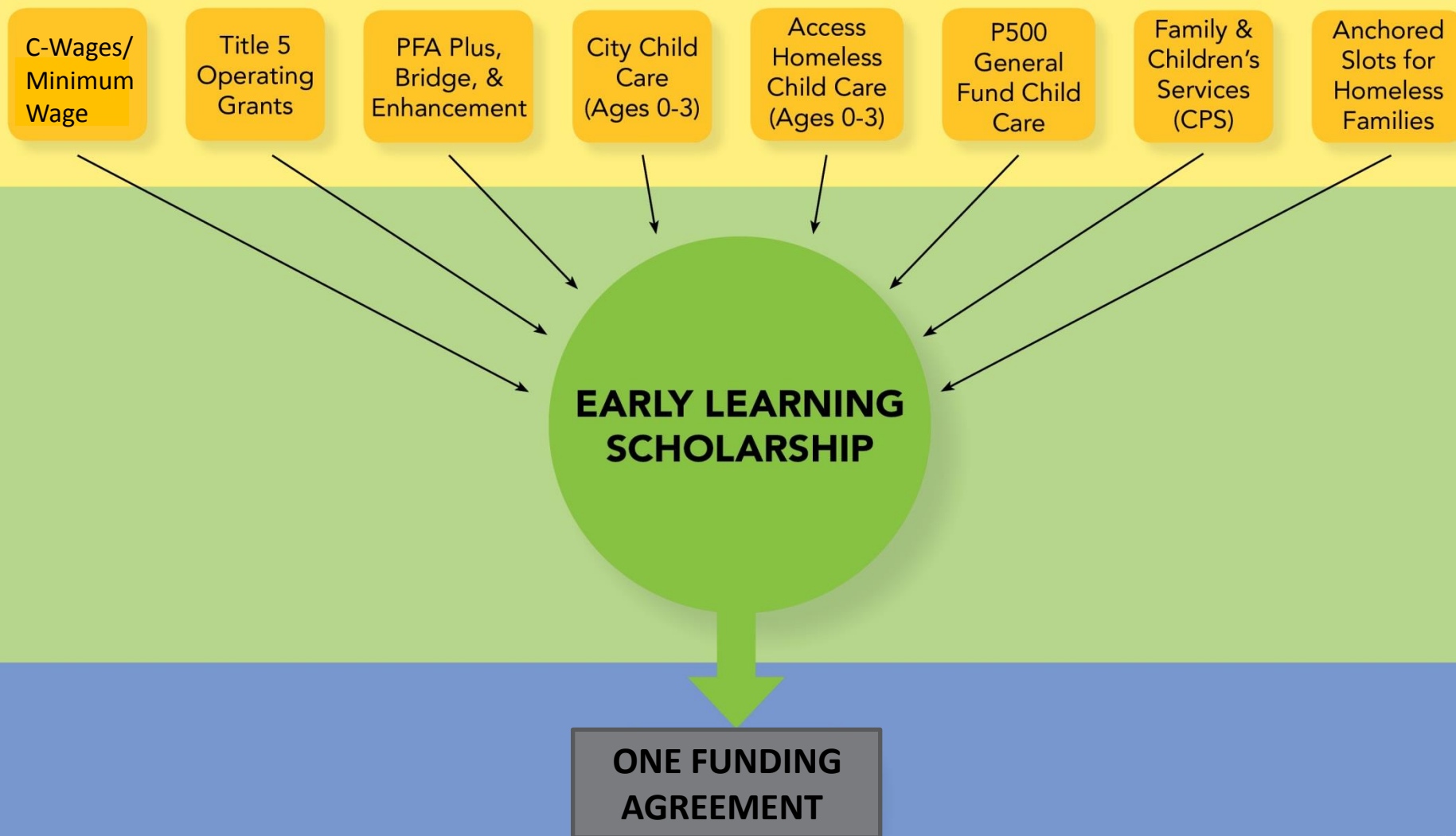
Reduce
redundant
paperwork
and reporting

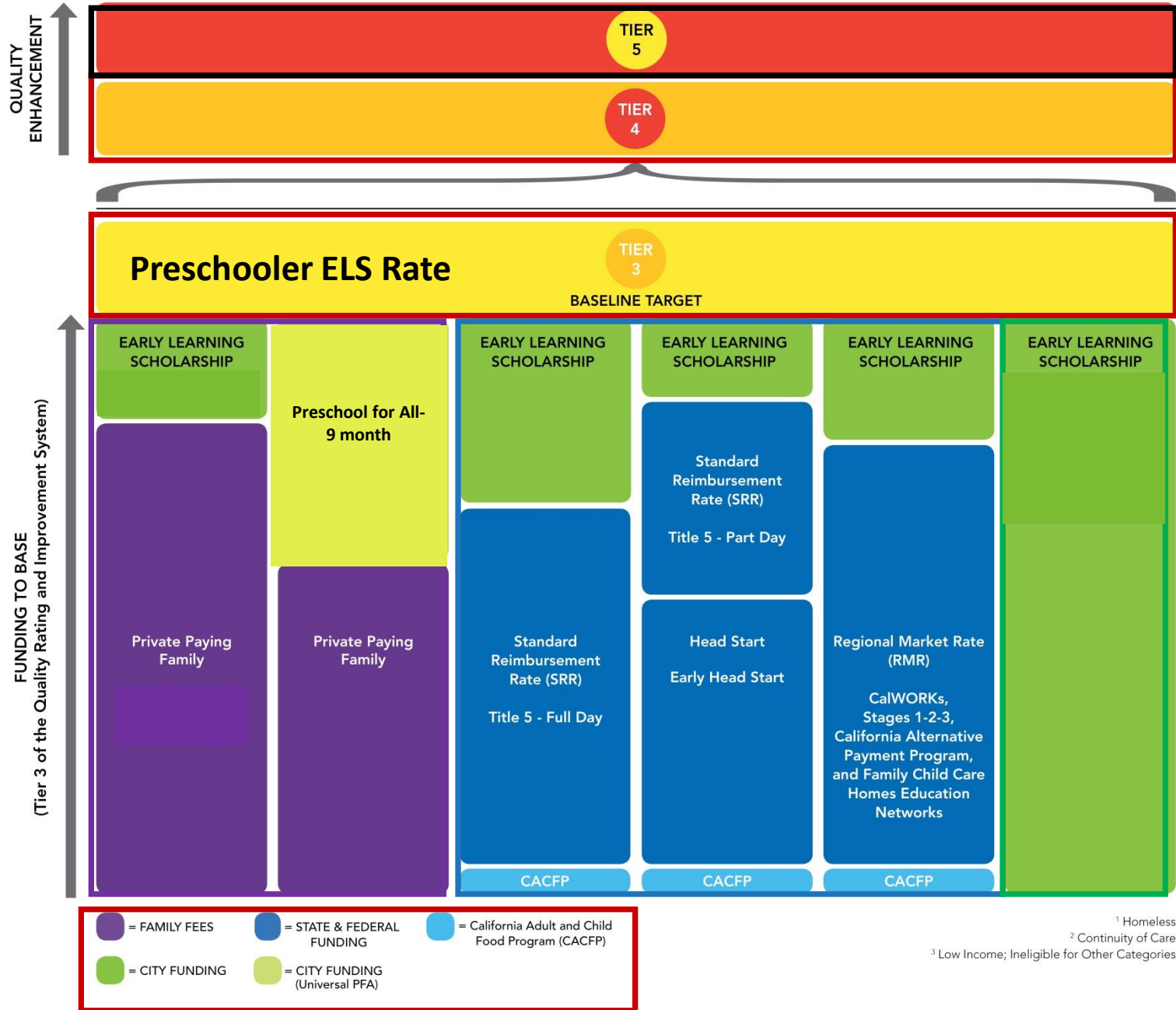
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Improve family
outreach and
matching
system

EARLY LEARNING SCHOLARSHIP

**Streamline multiple local funding programs into one funding agreement
and reduce administrative reporting**





Ensure continuity of care in high quality early education settings
for high-priority populations


CURRENT



OECE EARLY LEARNING SCHOLARSHIP



KEY FEATURES– MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Listed on pg. 12-13
 - Located in the City and County of San Francisco and serving San Francisco families
 - Currently licensed with Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) and in good standing
 - Centers with 34 or more children enrolled must ensure that at least 15% of children are low-income; Centers with fewer than 34 children enrolled, must ensure a minimum of 5 children are low-income
 - Have a Tier 3 rating or higher on Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS)
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KEY FEATURES– Target Populations

➤ Target Populations – pg. 3

- Families who are homeless
- Children at-risk of abuse and/or neglect or involved with the child welfare system
- Children with identified special needs or disabilities
- Low-income African American children
- Low-income Latino children
- Low-income English Language Learners



KEY FEATURES - ELS Funding Types

➤ ELS Funding Types – pg. 3-4

- **ELS - City (Reserved)**
 - Part of your requested funding amount
 - Assigned slots to support Target Population Families (child under 4)
- **ELS - City (Voucher)**
 - Parent choice
 - Voucher for low-income families (child under 4, income below 70% SMI)
- **ELS - City (Moderate)** (Note: Subject to funding availability)
 - Parent choice
 - Voucher for low-moderate income families (child under 4, income above 70% SMI and at/below 110% AMI)



KEY FEATURES - ELS Funding Types

➤ ELS Funding Types – pg. 5

- **ELS - Gap**

- Provide enhanced funding to close the “gap” between the state and/or federal rates and cost of operating Tier 3 on QRIS

- **ELS - Bridge**

- For families who lose State, Federal or Local eligibility
- Approved by OECE
- Provides continuity of care through program year (for Target Population families up to Kindergarten, if funds available)



KEY FEATURES - ELS Rates (p. 6)



EARLY LEARNING SCHOLARSHIP (ELS) CENTER RATES



Infants

ELS Center
**FULL DAY
FULL YEAR**
Rates

\$27,496

ELS Center
**FULL DAY
PART YEAR**
Rates

\$19,560

ELS Center
**PART DAY
FULL YEAR**
Rates

\$15,123

ELS Center
**PART DAY
PART YEAR**
Rates

\$10,758



Toddlers

\$20,935

\$14,893

\$11,514

\$8,191



Preschoolers

\$17,069

\$12,143

\$9,388

\$6,678

HOURS DAYS

**6.5-
10.5** at least
246

HOURS DAYS

**6.5-
10.5** at least
175

HOURS DAYS

**3.5-
6.4** at least
246

HOURS DAYS

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175

KEY FEATURES - Preschool for All

- Preschool for All (9-month or 12-month) – pg. 6
- Only existing Preschool for All providers are eligible

Permit level of Lead Teacher in the Classroom	Preschool for All (9-month or 12 month)
Teacher Permit	\$ 4,950
Master Teacher Permit	\$ 5,750
Site Supervisor Permit	\$ 5,750
Program Director Permit	\$ 6,000

NOTE: Partial week rates are not reflected above.



KEY FEATURES– Quality Grants

➤ Annual Quality Grants – pg. 6

- Annual per child amount (calculated on subsidized enrollments at a point in time) added to a Center's OECE funding agreement
- Preschool for All-9/12 Month not eligible

One-Time, Per Child Amount	Tier 4	Tier 5
Infant/Toddler	\$ 300	\$ 330
Preschooler	\$ 200	\$ 220



KEY FEATURES– Transition Funding

➤ Transition Funding– pg. 6-7

- One-time funding paid over 2 years to assist with transition to new OECE funding models
- Centers who face losses under the new funding model will be prioritized
- Must apply to be considered



KEY FEATURES– Program Assurances & Selection Criteria

➤ Program Assurances Highlights– pg. 8-10

- **Quality:** Develop and implement a Quality Improvement Plan
- **Compensation:** Suggested wage minimums for classroom staff
- **Child enrollments:** Maintain enrollment data for all children in Cocoa database and use electronic sign-in/out; ELS City (Reserved) enrollments must come from the centralized eligibility list (SF3C)

➤ Selection Criteria Highlights– pg. 13-14

- Evidence-based curricula
- Serving low-income and/or Target Population families
- Intent to serve low-income infants and toddlers
- Willingness to serve families with State or Local vouchers



SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete application must be received before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 3, 2017
- Complete applications include **two forms**:
 - ✓ NOFA Application Form – completed only online
 - ✓ Projected Peak Enrollment Form per Site (choose one of the 2 forms)
- Any Proposed Peak Enrollment Forms for your Center's sites must be submitted **together** at the same time in one email to Steve.Kim@sfgov.org AND HSARFP@sfgov.org
- Link to the NOFA Application Form is in the Application Instructions online
- Instructions and Projected Peak Enrollment Forms can be downloaded from www.sfoece.org

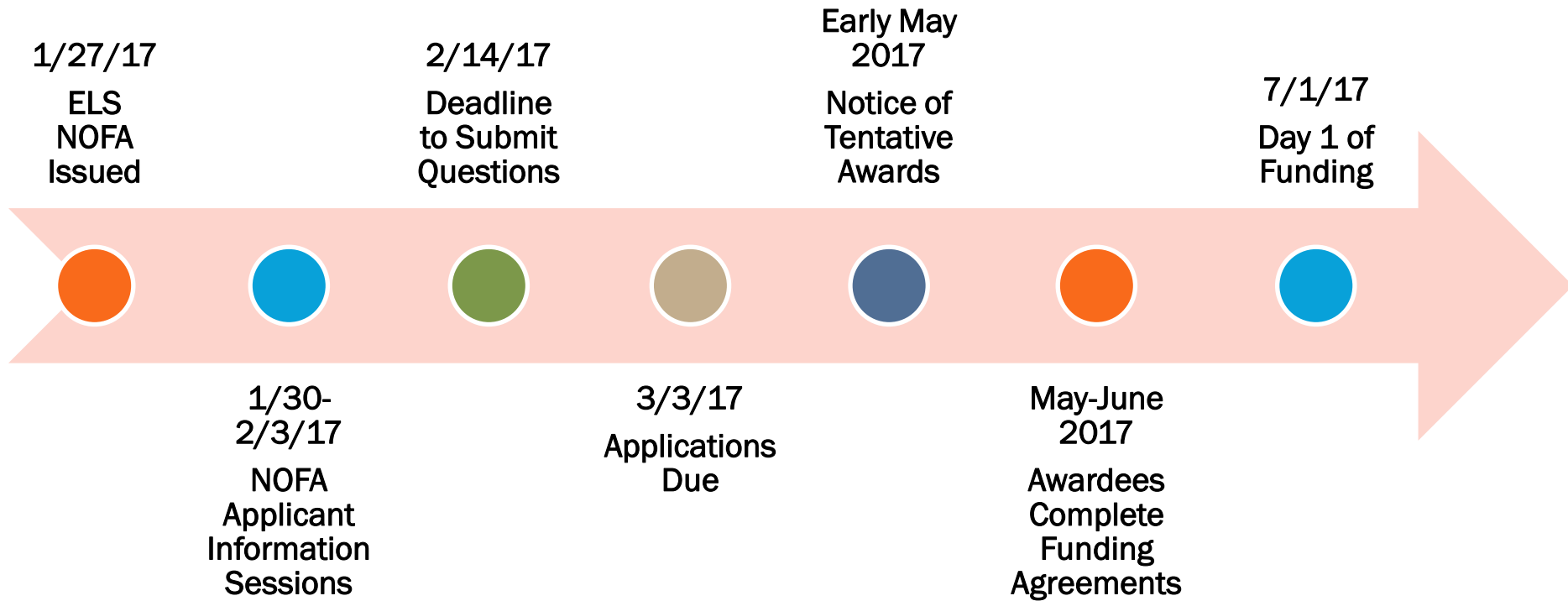
NOFA OVERVIEW- Projected Peak Enrollment Form

How to fill out the ELS- Center Projected Peak Enrollment Form in FY 2017-18

We will use Example #1 on page 31 (Appendix F) of the NOFA



REVIEW OF TIMELINE



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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- Raise your hand with your card and OECE staff will pick it up.
- Use the following colored cards for the type of question you have:
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NEXT STEPS

- If there are any additional questions that you might come up with, please email: Steve.Kim@sfgov.org
 - All questions must be emailed to the above address by 12:00 p.m., on February 14, 2017
 - Questions from all Info Sessions and submitted by email will be posted to www.sfoece.org
 - OECE staff can only answer questions through the Q&A during Info Sessions
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