



# JOIN US: A CALL FOR NEW PARTNERS!

- Do you serve pre-K kiddos?
- Interested in bringing resources to your students and teachers?
- Want to network with other providers?

Starting in 2022, any provider serving children ages 3-5 can be part of our team! We invite partners from all sections of our awesome mixed delivery system in St. Louis to join us - that means centers, family child care, non-profit, for-profit, and elementary schools! We want to share the resources of our network with all members of the St. Louis community as we continue our work towards equitable access to quality pre-K.



## ABOUT THE COOP

The STL Pre-K Cooperative, founded in 2019, is a network of early childhood providers and K-12 partners that works to:

- Increase access to pre-K for children and families from traditionally underserved communities
- Ensure quality programs evidenced by strong student outcomes and Kindergarten readiness
- Focus support and investment in geographic priority areas
- Build a robust technical assistance framework

## JOIN US

**For the first time in 2022, the STL Pre-K Cooperative is offering three levels of partnership so more providers can join our network.** When they meet certain requirements of partnership, Cooperative partners can access dollars to outfit new classrooms; participate in training on curriculum and assessment; receive teacher coaching and professional development; and achieve Missouri Accreditation.

The Cooperative offers a variety of resources at no cost. As the Cooperative works to enhance the pre-K system in our region, we require that all of our partners administer a Kindergarten readiness assessment called the Pre-K Observation Form (PKOF) twice per year, once in the fall and once in the spring. You will receive training and materials for the PKOF at no cost.



*“The STL Pre-K Cooperative has brought a ton of resources, including professional development and instructional supports to South Side. We are a proud founding partner of the Coop and look forward to welcoming new partners to our network!”*

Jackie Weaver, South Side Early Childhood Center

## TIER 3

Providers that are already Missouri Accredited and whose teaching staff have education credentials are eligible to tap the Cooperative's full menu of resources, such as instructional coaching and expansion support.

## TIER 2

Providers that are ready to pursue Missouri Accreditation receive support navigating the accreditation process. These programs are eligible to apply for up to \$7,500 in grants to complete the Missouri Accreditation process in one year.

## TIER 1

Providers that want to join our awesome network and tap into some of the Cooperative's resources like curriculum and assessment training and professional development at no cost. Each program can apply for up to \$2,000 in grant funding to cover classroom resources.

## HOW TO JOIN

Fill out our easy online application. We will review applications on a rolling basis, so you should hear back from us soon after you fill it out.

<https://forms.gle/Y5kqkKDAqHBP1fPd9>

The Cooperative will issue a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between each partner and the Cooperative. Programs eligible for grant funding will receive a separate application, which will be reviewed by philanthropic advisors.

### Questions?

Contact the Cooperative at [info@stlprekcooperative.org](mailto:info@stlprekcooperative.org).

We will be happy to answer your questions or connect you with one of our experienced partners that can tell you more about the Coop and walk you through the application process.

### 2022 Application Process Timeline

- **November 8, 2022** - Application Opens
- **March 1, 2023** - Application Closes
- **April 1, 2023** - Partners Finalized

*"Even though the PKOF can sound scary or intimidating, it's not. Using the PKOF has helped our staff really improve their teaching. The Cooperative provides coaching and materials to make sure you will feel supported in using the PKOF".*

Rochelle Bea, Beginning Futures Learning Center



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