

APPENDIX C – ARKANSAS BETTER CHANCE FOR SCHOOL SUCCESS (ABCSS) ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTATION

The below listed documentation shall be provided by the parent/guardian prior to enrollment:

A. Official documentation that the child's immunizations are current or on a "catch up schedule".

- ☐ Pediatrician Record
- ☐ Record from Immunization Registry through the Arkansas Department of Health
- ☐ Approval from Arkansas Department of Health of exemption

B. A copy of birth certificate or official hospital record with date of birth listed verifying the child meets one of the following requirements that is in alignment with the legislated Kindergarten enrollment date:

- ☐ The child is 3 years of age by August 1
- ☐ The child is 4 years of age by August 1

C. Documentation that the gross family income does not exceed 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Earned income is income resulting from working in a paid position or receiving unemployment benefits from having worked in a paid position. It does not include benefits received from other sources such as TEFRA, SSI, child support, etc. Earned income or lack of earned income must be documented for both parents if two parent household. Acceptable documentation of income shall include a copy of one of the following:

- ☐ Paystubs documenting earned income or unemployment payments for the past 30 days (full month of paystubs)
- ☐ W-2 forms
- ☐ Federal Income Tax Forms
- ☐ Schedule C or Schedule F, for self-employed only
- ☐ Free/Reduced Lunch Application showing income amount, only if income is verified and signed by district representative (cannot be used by private providers)
- ☐ Letter from DHS caseworker showing family gross income is \leq 200% of FPL (TEA, food stamp approval, child care voucher approval, verification of ARKids A with current eligibility status)
- ☐ Notarized letter or letter on business letterhead, signed by employer showing income and hours worked daily or weekly.
- ☐ Notarized letter signed by each parent in the household verifying that parent(s) is not employed and has no earned income.
- ☐ Medicaid Card if accompanied by written verification by DHS of ARKids with current active status.

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2020 ANNUAL**

Persons in Family/Household	100% of FPL	185% of FPL	200% of FPL
1	\$12,760	\$23,606	\$25,520
2	\$17,240	\$31,894	\$34,480
3	\$21,720	\$40,182	\$43,440
4	\$26,200	\$48,470	\$52,400
5	\$30,680	\$56,758	\$61,360
6	\$35,160	\$65,046	\$70,320
7	\$39,640	\$73,334	\$79,280
8	\$44,120	\$81,622	\$88,240
9	\$48,600	\$89,910	\$97,200
10	\$53,080	\$98,198	\$106,160

For families/households with more than 10 persons, add \$4,420 for each additional person.

APPENDIX G - DUAL ENROLLMENT ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTATION

Children enrolled in an ABCSS center or family home may also enroll in an ABCSS HIPPY or PAT program if the child is income-eligible for ABCSS AND meets at least one of the following criteria:

- 1) Parents without a high school diploma
 - a. Letter from high school parent last attended stating parent did not graduate
 - b. High school transcript sent by high school
 - c. Letter from GED program that parent is in process of earning a GED
 - d. Notarized letter from parent stating that the parent did not graduate high school.
- 2) Birth weight <5 pounds, 9 ounces
 - a. Birth certificates
 - b. Letter from hospital or doctor verifying birth weight
 - c. Hospital birth card or announcement sent home with baby from hospital (only if birth weight is on the announcement)
- 3) Parent is < 18 years of age at child's birth
 - a. Birth certificate of child (if parent age is listed)
 - b. Birth certificate of mother/father and birth certificate of the child
 - c. Driver's license/picture ID card and birth certificate of the child
- 4) Family has a history of substance abuse/addiction
 - a. A letter from doctor or treatment center treating family member
 - b. A letter from social worker assisting family
 - c. Law enforcement or Court Records
- 5) Eligible for services under IDEA
 - a. Individualized Education Plan (IEP)
 - b. Letter of IEP conference decision
 - c. Evaluation / Programming Conference Decision Form
 - d. Letter from Educational Cooperative serving the child
- 6) Parent has a history of abuse neglect or is a victim of abuse or neglect
 - a. A letter from doctor or treatment center treating family member
 - b. A letter from social worker assisting family
 - c. Law enforcement or Court Records
 - d. Documentation from DHS