

The **Early Learning Coalition of Marion County** is one of 30 coalitions in Florida. We are responsible for the administration of the School Readiness and Voluntary Pre-kindergarten programs and the Success By 6 parent initiative, in partnership with United Way of Marion County.

School Readiness/Early Learning Programs

- **2,751** children received services at approximately **160** contracted early learning programs (small businesses). This enables parents/caregivers to work and/or attend school.
- The Marion County Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) program served **2,172** 4 year old children through **98** certified VPK providers.
- **5,113** requests were processed through Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) for child care information from families regarding school readiness, Voluntary Prekindergarten and child care services.
- **1,094 (duplicated)** early education teachers attended **59** professional development opportunities through the Coalition.
- **11,225 (+4%)** children's books and parent resources were distributed throughout Marion County.
- Through a partnership with Kiwanis Club of Ocala, **173 (+30%)** pack-n-plays were distributed on an emergency referral basis.
- **55** Parents As Teachers sessions were offered, **279 (+106%)** partners promoted the Read Aloud 15 movement and **189** business locations featured a RA15 Bucket of Books.

2016-2017 Community Match Fund Partners (not inclusive)

United Way of Marion County
Marion County Board of County Commissioners
Publix Super Market Charities
Staff, community members, & civic organizations



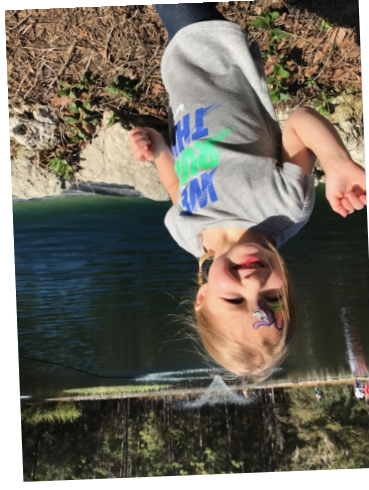
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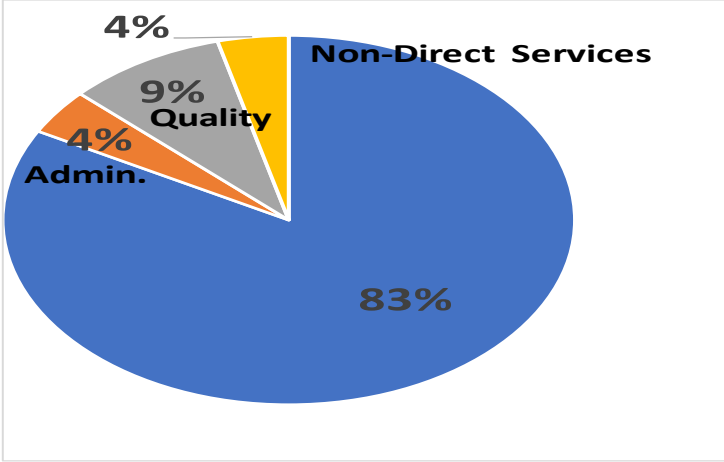
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Our mission is to provide leadership and foster partnerships to optimize a quality early learning environment for our children through child care, voluntary pre-kindergarten and parent education.
School Readiness Services * Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) * Child Care Resource & Referral * Quality Initiatives * Success By 6

2016-2017 Budget—\$15,150,528



Direct Services	83%
Non-Direct Services	4%
Quality	9%
Administrative	4%



Other highlights

- Success By 6 Diaper Drive, in partnership with Publix, collected more than **17,000** diapers!
- The **Early Learning Summit** brought the community together to work on solutions for issues facing our families.

Brenda Ford, *Crippen & Company*
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Ryan Lilly, *CEP*
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Cara Meeks, *Wellcare Health Plans*
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