

Dear Providers,

I hope that your summer is going well. Please see below for important reminders.

- **\$125 Classroom Grant Spending Deadline Approaching Soon**
Georgia's Pre-K lead and assistant teachers that were listed on Roster 4 are eligible for a \$125 classroom grant. The grant can be accessed and must be spent through ClassWallet. **The grant funds must be spent by June 30, 2022.**
 - If your teachers did not receive an email from DECAL regarding the grant, please have them check their email address in the Georgia Professional Development System (GaPDS). If it is incorrect, the teacher should update the address in the GaPDS and the director should use the following link <https://forms.gle/gLCzMvVpqzXHtRDiq> to update the email address for ClassWallet.
 - If teachers received the DECAL email but have not received an email from info@classwallet.com, please have them check their spam and junk email folders. If after checking all their folders, they have not received an email from ClassWallet, they should contact classroomgrants@decals.ga.gov or info@classwallet.com.

- **Round 3 POWER Payments**
 - Please note there has been some confusion regarding the total number/amount of POWER payments for eligible Pre-K Lead and Assistant Teachers. See clarifying information below.
 - There is a TOTAL of three payments over the past two school years.
 - The 1st payment was in spring 2021 during the 2020-2021 school year.
 - The 2nd payment was in fall 2021 during the 2021-2022 school year.
 - The 3rd payment is for spring 2022.
 - Information for child center grantees:
 - Child care programs must apply through the POWER Payment application process.
 - All Georgia's Pre-K lead and assistant teachers reported on the 4th roster submitted in March 2022 are eligible to receive the POWER Supplemental Payment for Round 3.
 - Eligible teachers do not have to be employed during the summer, and they do not have to be returning to the program that reported them on the 4th roster.
 - **The application for teachers in child care programs will close at 6:00 p.m. on July 1, 2022.**
 - Information for school system grantees:
 - The POWER Payment application process does not apply to local school systems.
 - The POWER Round 3 payment was made to school systems through PANDA on April 4, 2022, based on the 4th Pre-K Roster.
 - Eligible teachers do not have to be employed during the summer and they do not have to be returning to the program that reported them on the 4th roster.
 - School systems that are also a Head Start, Early Head Start, or licensed child care provider will need to apply in order for any additional eligible early learning staff (other than Georgia's Pre-K) to receive the supplemental payment.

- If you have questions regarding Round 3 POWER Payment eligibility, please contact supplementalpayments@decals.ga.gov or call 470-717-2012.
- **Work Sampling Online (WSO) Closing Soon**
All WSO Logins will be disabled on July 2nd. All 2021-2022 data will be removed to prepare the system for the 2022-2023 school year. Any 2021-2022 WSO year-end reports that you need for future use must be generated before the data is deleted on July 2nd. Administrator logins will be reinstated on August 4th. Teacher logins will be reinstated on August 15th. Start-up reminders will be sent to you and your teachers via email.
- The Pre-K Operating Guidelines for the 2022-2023 School Year will be posted on the DECAL website by Friday, July 8th. An email will be sent when the guidelines are posted.

Stay well,
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