



Dear Families,

United Way of Southwest Virginia

In accordance with the Virginia Preschool Initiative, United Way of Southwest Virginia Childhood Success Initiative has been awarded funding by the state of Virginia to increase affordable access to high quality preschool programs for **qualifying 3- and 4-year-old children** in our region. **If you are currently participating in this Mixed Delivery Grant program, you automatically qualify, but still must complete the attached application form by August 16, 2021**. Awarded funds will assist United Way SWVA in continuing the fight to provide greater affordable access to high quality preschool education at licensed participating centers in underserved rural areas which include the counties of Carroll, Floyd, Giles, Grayson, Montgomery, Russell, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, and the cities of Bristol and Radford city. The non-profit corporation, **Radford Child Development Inc** (RCD Inc), created and owns **Radford Early Learning Center (RELC)**. Our center is currently operated by KinderCare under contract with RCD Inc. RCD Inc's **RELC will be participating in this grant project!** If your child meets eligibility criteria, his or her education services could **be provided at low or no cost to your family**. Please send your **completed application** to Dr. Agida Manizade **at amanizade@radford.edu by August 16th, 2021**. If you are unable to e-mail this application, you may also mail

your application at the following address: RCD Inc.

518 Meadow Ridge,

Radford VA 24141.

Or deliver it to the front deck at the RELC in an envelope addressed to **RCD Inc., Mixed Delivery Grant, Dr. Agida Manizade.** If you have any questions, please call RCD Inc President, Dr. Manizade at 434-227-7196 or contact our center director, Ms. Katie Thompson at 540-838-2408.

To participate in the program families must meet one or more of the following requirements:

- Family income at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines (see chart below)

 Homelessness
- One or both parents did not graduate from high school
- Family income above 200% of federal poverty guidelines but at or below 350% of federal poverty guidelines for students with diagnosed disabilities or special needs
 Established local criteria* (See details below)

2021 Poverty Guidelines Percentage Thresholds – for Applying the Family Income Eligibility Criteria and Reporting

Requirements for VPI as Stated in the Virginia Appropriation Act

Persons in family/household 2021 Poverty Guidelines Percentage Thresholds Applicable to VPI Requirements

	130%	200%	350%
1	\$16,744	\$25,760	\$45,080
2	\$22,646	\$34,840	\$60,970
3	\$28,548	\$43,920	\$76,860
4	\$34,450	\$53,000	\$92,750
5	\$40,352	\$62,080	\$108,640
6	\$46,254	\$71,160	\$124,530
7	\$52,156	\$80,240	\$140,420
8	\$58,058	\$89,320	\$156,310

United Way of Southwest Virginia fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in our community.