



	Activity
January 9, 2026	Intent to Apply due (Required)
January 28, 2026 Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Citrus, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Lake, Levy, Marion & Nassau	Technical assistance meeting (Required) This meeting will be held virtually . A link will be sent to providers who submit an Intent to Apply . <u>Important:</u> • A representative from each provider must attend this meeting to move forward for consideration. • Failure to attend will result in disqualification from the application process.
February 11, 2026	All questions must be submitted to ECS4Kids at ccprfp@ecs4kids.org by this specified deadline. No questions will be answered after this time.
February 18, 2026	Answers to questions posted.
March 24, 2026	All proposals must be submitted to ECS4Kids no later than 3:00 PM. Late submissions will not be accepted. Proposals must be submitted electronically to ccprfp@ecs4kids.org or mailed to: 1601 NE 25th Avenue Suite 900 Ocala, FL 34470
April 17, 2026	All packets are reviewed and scored by the ECS4Kids team.
April 27, 2026	Notifications to all providers expected to begin.
May 13, 2026	In-Person Contract Meeting (Required)
June 12, 2026	Contracts finalized with chosen partners.
July 27 – August 14, 2026	Pre-Service Training (Tentatively)
August 17, 2026 (Stagger Start)	Child Care Partners begin to serve Early Head Start and/or Head Start Children. (Tentatively)

Dates are subject to change with adequate notice provided to all participants.