



Selection Criteria Summary

- The Poudre School District Early Childhood Program selects students for placement based on the established selection criteria approved by the Early Childhood Policy Council.
- Selection criteria are based on funder requirements and the community assessment which is conducted annually and reviewed for changes in the population makeup of the program area.
- Information on the selection criteria is collected from parents through self-report in Section Four of the program application and the screening questionnaire, and the parent interview.
- Selection criteria for each family determine their child's place on the program waitlist.
- The Enrollment Coordinator uses the selection criteria to offer openings to children who are next on the program wait list for the site where the opening is available.

PSD Early Childhood Selection Criteria include:

1. Household Income
2. Household Supports- SSI benefits, TANF/Larimer County Works supports
3. McKinney Status-the family is considered homeless based on the McKinney-Vento Act definitions
4. Foster Status-child is currently in or awaiting foster placement
5. Language Development delays reported by the parent, a social agency, or health care provider or learning English in addition to other language(s)
6. Social/emotional delays reported by the parent, a social agency, or health care provider
7. Parent Education
8. Teen Parent Status
9. Family Health, Safety, and Stability
 - a. History of abuse or violence in the immediate family
 - b. History of drug or alcohol abuse in the immediate family
 - c. History of family receiving services from the Department of Human Services
 - d. History of frequent family moves

