



To: Commissioners, First 5 Ventura County

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Re: Recommendation to Increase FY 2019-21 Contract with the University Preparation Charter School for the Preschool Program

Background

In February 2019, the Commission approved a FY 2019-21 preschool investment model as a two-year transition strategy for continued funding of current First 5 Ventura County (F5VC) preschool spaces not able to convert to State Preschool. Organizations currently operating preschool spaces funded fully or partially by F5VC, either directly or as a subcontractor through a Neighborhoods for Learning (NfL) program, were invited to request continued funding for FY 2019-21. The first step included the submission of a funding request from current preschool partners by March 18, 2019 which was used to determine the number of spaces and associated maximum allocations.

In March 2019, the Commission approved FY 2019-21 Preschool Allocations for First 5 funded partners. A maximum annual allocation of \$13,200 to support five preschool spaces was approved for University Preparation Charter School (UPS). After the allocation was approved, it was discovered that the number of operating days used to calculate UPS' maximum allocation was incorrect. The funding amount was recalculated based on 175 days of service, which is the current standard per the Commission's preschool operating criteria. The proposed new funding amount would increase by \$6,427 per year for two years to account for the adjustment of the number of operating days from 130 days to 175 days per year. No new allocation of funds is required, as funds are available within the total initiative allocation.

Recommendation

Recommended action would authorize the Executive Director to increase the FY 2019-21 contract with the University Preparation Charter School by \$6,427 per year for two years for implementing a preschool program. The total contract would be for an amount not to exceed \$39,254 for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021. No new allocation of funds is required, as funds are available within the total preschool initiative allocation.