Revised 1305.2 and 1305.4 Determining, Verifying, and Documenting Eligibility for Head Start

Changes that Impact Jefferson County Public Schools to Ensure the Neediest Families Receive Services

Changes to Regulation 1305.2 Definitions

- ▶ The definition of *Accepted*
- ▶ The definition of *Enrolled*
- ► The definition of a *Family*
- ▶ The definition of *Foster Care*
- ▶ The definition of *Homeless*
- ▶ The definition of *Income*
- ▶ The definition of *Low Income*

Changes to Regulation

Before

- In-person interview of parent/guardian is NOT required by program staff
- Children were automatically eligible for Head Start if they:
 - Were in foster care
 - Were homeless
 - Received SSI or TANF benefits (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)

After

- In-person interview of parent/guardian IS required by program staff
- The only children that are automatically eligible for Head Start are:
 - Children in Foster Care
 - Homeless

Note: District must develop policies and procedures that describe actions taken against district staff members or participants who intentionally attempt to provide false information relative to this regulation.