

Jefferson County Board of Education

Early Head Start Program Option Change and Waiver Request

Jefferson County Board of Education (JCBOE) Early Childhood requests that the Early Head Start program be changed to offer a new home-based service option to children, prioritizing infants and toddlers. The home based option will provide a full range of high-quality services to a maximum of 40 children and their families. This program option allows us to reach underserved populations, such as dual language families who are not proportionately represented in center-based services, positively impacting their school readiness. For example, dual language learners have shown the

In addition, we are requesting a waiver to increase maximum group size from 8 children to 10 children for our transition classrooms. With this increased maximum size, we will be able to staff each transition classroom with a certified teacher and an instructional assistant holding a minimum of an appropriate Child Development Associate credential.