

Date: March 8, 2013  
To: Program Directors  
Cc: CFS Management Team  
Richard Braun, Family Community Services Supervisor  
Pamela Gomes, Data Director  
From: Janet Orvis Cook, Executive Director  
RE: Entry Cut-off Date Policy

The Stanislaus County Office of Education, Child Family Services (SCOE, CFS) Division and Central California Migrant Head Start (CCMHS) will begin to fully implement California Education Code 4800(a) regarding the school entry cut-off date required by CFR 1305.4 as follows:

- 2013-14 program year. October 1 cut-off date
  - \* 3/1/13 for MSHS and MEHS
  - \* 7/1/13 for RHS/EHS
- 2014-15 program year and beyond. September 1 cut-off date

As supported by and in alignment with CDE/CDD Management Bulletin 12-15, families with children born between November 2 and December 2, 2007 for the current year and October 2, 2008 for the upcoming year, had or will have the option of enrolling their children in Head Start (HS), State Preschool (CSPP), or Transitional Kindergarten (TK).

Additionally, OHS Policy Clarification PC-I-001 still applies, and children who turn 3 years of age after the age cut-off date may be considered for enrollment on or after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

After the COPA roll-over, the database will be updated with these new dates. Neither COPA nor selection criteria will be retroactively updated to November 1<sup>st</sup> for the current 2012-13 program year. Changes will only occur going forward.

Attached is a helpful, updated income guideline and age eligibility reference chart for your information and use. Depicted is the following, recapped information:

2012-13	Cut-off date for age December 2 <sup>nd</sup>
2013-14	Cut-off date for age October 1 <sup>st</sup>
2014-15 and beyond	Cut-off date for age September 1 <sup>st</sup>

Please contact your Grantee Coordinator of Early Childhood Programs with any questions or clarification needed regarding this memo.

Infants and Toddlers
Oct 2, 2010 through present

