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SUBJECT: Notice of Funding Opportunity: Preschool Education Expansion Aid (PEEA)

The New Jersey Department of Education is pleased to announce a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NFO) designed to increase access to high-quality preschool for three- and four-year-old children in the 2017-18 school year.

Preschool Education Expansion Aid (PEEA) continues New Jersey's commitment to establishing and sustaining high-quality preschool programs within high-need communities. High-quality preschool programs for eligible children can be expanded or established through the use of a mixed delivery system that brings together districts, community providers and Head Start programs.

Districts already receiving Preschool Education Aid (PEA), excluding districts that are fully funded, are eligible for funding to increase the number of children served, the length of program day offered, or the quality of the program. Additional details about this NFO can be found on the [Early Childhood Education and Family Engagement](#) webpage and application submission will be accomplished through [NJDOE Homeroom](#). **PEEA grant applications are due by Monday, August 21, 2017.**

The Division of Teaching and Learning will host an in-person Technical Assistance (TA) Workshop on August 8, 2017, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. It will be held in the first-floor conference room at the New Jersey Department of Education, 100 River View Plaza, Trenton. **Participation in the Technical Assistance Workshop is mandatory for all districts applying for the PEEA grant, and pre-registration is required.** Please [register online](#) by Monday, August 7, 2017.

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