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To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route To: Principals, Assistant Superintendents of Curriculum and Instruction,
Supervisors, Preschool Instructional Coaches, Teachers
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Preschool Mixed Delivery Handbook

Pursuant to P.L. 2025, c.100 the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), in consultation with the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, has developed a Mixed Delivery Handbook. The mixed delivery model of preschool implementation provides families with options that best meet the needs of their child and family through classrooms located in district operated buildings as well as partnerships with licensed child care centers and Head Start programs. The Mixed Delivery Handbook compiles relevant State requirements and associated guidance documents on a variety of topics to provide licensed child care providers, Head Start Programs, school districts and other stakeholders with comprehensive information regarding implementation of state funded preschool programs.

The Mixed Delivery Handbook can be found through the [Preschool section](#) of the NJDOE [Early Childhood Education](#) website.

Contact Information

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