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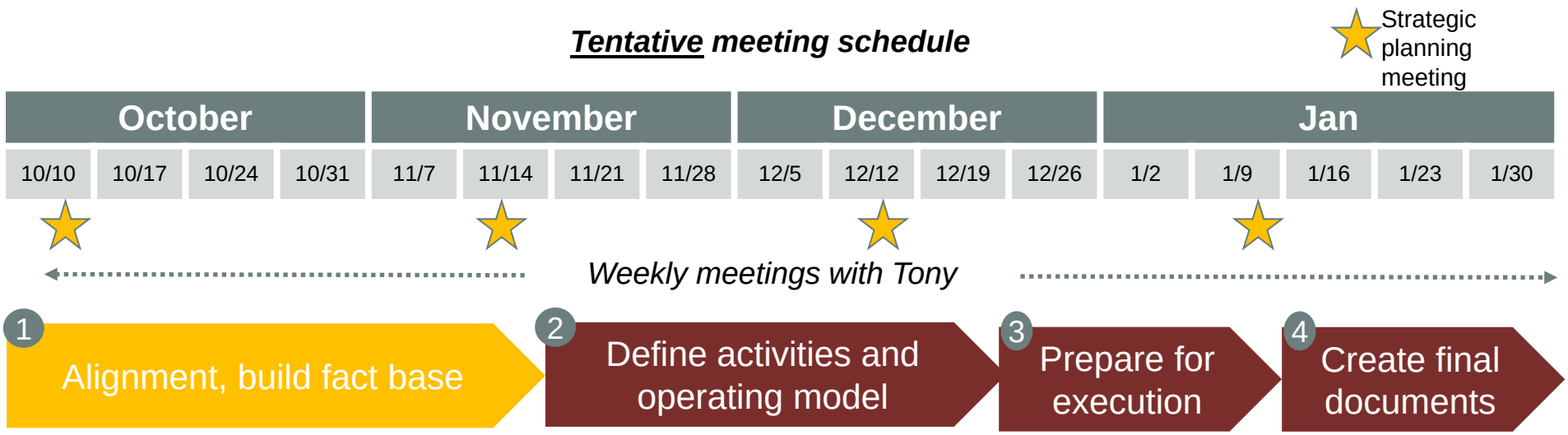
NOEEN Strategic Planning
Steering Committee Update

November 29, 2016

Our objectives are to help position NOEEN for success

- To help **define a shared vision** for the New Orleans early childhood sector that is clear and embraced by local stakeholders
- To enable the strategic planning committee to **decide on the role NOEEN will play** in achieving that vision
- To define the set of activities that NOEEN will **actively undertake as an intermediary** and **those that it will work to ensure exist in the city** (or ecosystem) to support the sector's growth and stability
- To support clear **alignment on a governance structure for NOEEN** that will best enable it to accomplish its goals
- To aid in the **development of an actionable implementation plan** that provides clear next steps for the development of the organization
- To help **develop a plan that is compelling to funders** and reflects a coordinated, sector-wide vision

We are working through four phases of work together over 16 weeks, and have just completed phase 1



- Launch visit
- Conduct stakeholder interviews and focus groups
- Policy, funding, regulatory analysis
- Best practice research: other intermediary organizations
- Develop refined vision for EC landscape and mission, vision, theory of action and intended impact for NOEEN

- Draft potential NOEEN activities and assess fit
- Define governance options and decision rights
- Develop staffing plan
- Begin developing financial model

- Finalize theory of action
- Finalize financial model
- Develop high-level implementation plan

- Finalize written plan
- Develop synthesized PPT of strategic plan
- Plan communication of plan

Question

Do we want the citywide vision for the early childhood sector to include:

A) Children birth to eight years old*

B) Children birth to five years old

C) Children birth to six years old

* Keep in mind, all early childhood research is based on viewing child development as the period from birth to eight years old.

Bellwether Recommendation

We recommend that NOEEN think of itself as an “early childhood intermediary”, not a “service provider”

Rooted in desire to develop a “network”, and supported by city-based ECE benchmarks, we see NOEEN as an intermediary

We use “intermediary” to mean a place-based organization that leads planning, coordination, and management across a set of stakeholders to enable a common goal.

The *specific activities* of each intermediary organization differ, but tend not to focus on “direct service.”

Intermediary role

- Convenes key stakeholders from across the sector
- Evolves approach and focal areas over time based on sector-wide needs
- Provides neutral assessments of sector-wide progress and performance, and fosters broad understanding of the current landscape
- Helps service providers avoid duplicative efforts and encourages existing or new organizations to fill service gaps
- Attracts and allocates resources across the sector, supporting highest needs

Direct service role

- Executes a specific program that contributes to the citywide vision
- Delivers services to meet a specific need or set of needs for a particular set of beneficiaries
- Collaborates with other service providers to serve own mission
- Regularly shares programmatic and outcomes data with intermediary

NOEEN’s role as an intermediary means it will focus on coordinating across the sector while limiting direct service activities

NOEEN Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations November 29, 2016

Agenda for CHILDREN
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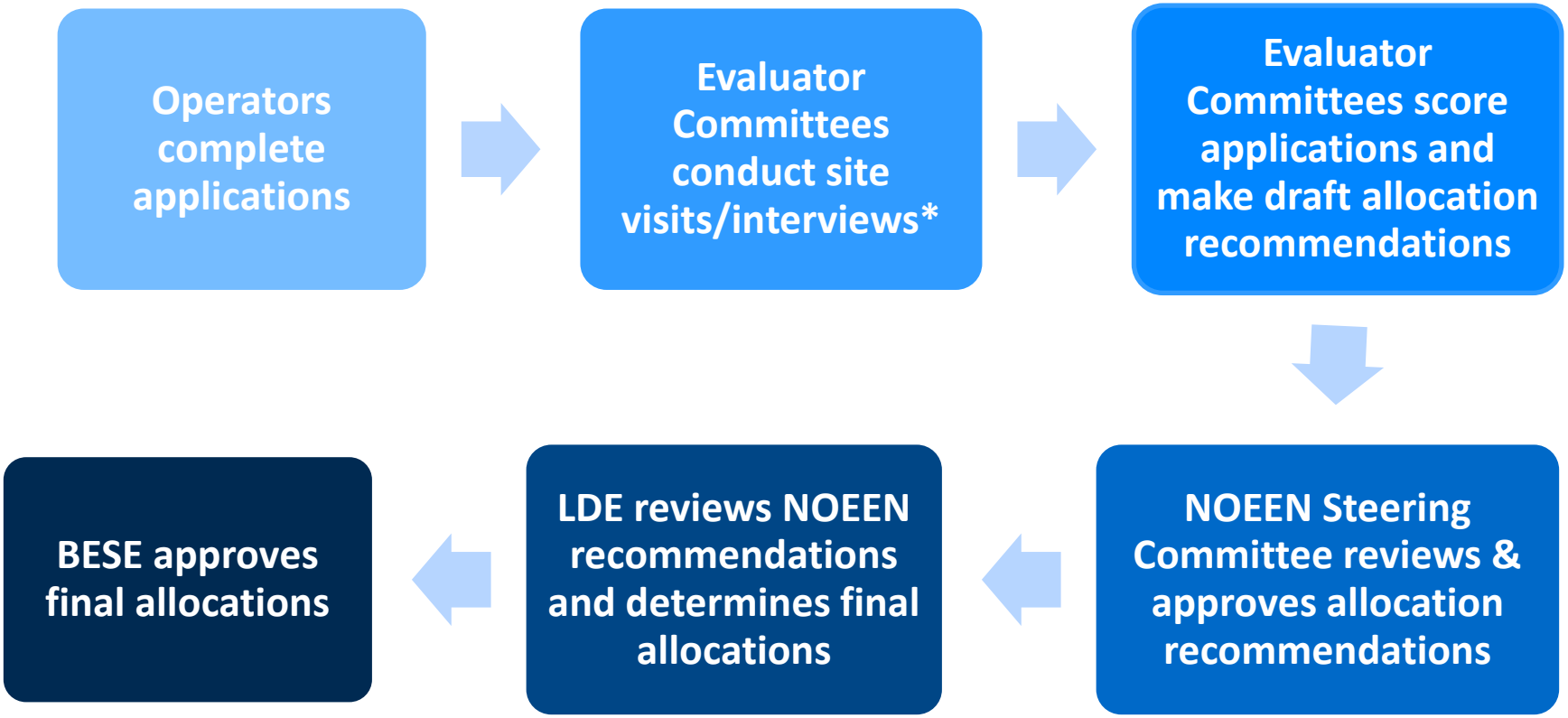
A Unified Approach

BESE Bulletin 140 requires the Louisiana Department of Education (LDE) to work with each Lead Agency to unify funding requests from each provider in the network for “seats” in state-funded early childhood programs (LA4, NSECD, and Preschool Expansion Grant) into a single, annual “coordinated funding request.”

The goal of NOEEN’s 2016-17 Coordinated Funding Request is to ensure that the limited number of publicly-funded early childhood seats are allocated to those programs that:

- ✦ Meet families’ needs;
- ✦ Are high quality; and
- ✦ Are in high demand by parents.

CFR Process Overview



*Site visits conducted for programs that are eligible to apply and do not currently have EnrollNOLA data for LA 4, NSECD, or PEG seats.

Overview of CFR Requests

Funding Source	Programs Requests	2016-17 Seats	# of Existing Seats Requested	# of New Seats Requested	Total # of Seats Requested
LA 4	37 schools, 3 partnerships	1,640	1,607 (decrease by 33)	+100	**1,707**
NSECD	11 nonpublic schools, 9 centers	542	536 (decrease by 6)	+120	**656**
PEG	9 partnerships, 10 centers	230	220 (decrease by 10)	+200 (centers only)	**420**
TOTALS		*2,412*	*2,363 (decrease by 49)*	*+420*	***2,783 (+ 371)***

Scoring & Evaluation Committees

Each application was scored based on rubrics included in the application materials.

LA4 & NSECD		
Quality **50%**	Parent Demand* **50%**	Meeting Families' Needs **Bonus Points**

*Based on EnrollNOLA data. For applicants that did not have EnrollNOLA data, information based on a site visit was considered instead.

Scoring & site visits were conducted by Evaluator Committees comprised of staff with expertise in each of the three early childhood settings participating in the CFR process.

Evaluator Committees		
Public School Applications	**Nonpublic School Applications**	**Center Applications**
1 RSD staff, 1 OPSB staff	1 La. Dept. of Ed. Staff	2 Agenda staff

Agenda for Children made the final decision to recommend keeping all current PEG classrooms because all partnerships decided to continue in the 2017-2018 school year. Centers that applied for the Preschool Expansion Grant without a confirmed school partner were not considered.

Timeline

Date	Action
Sept. 27	NOEEN Steering Committee considers approval of CFR process
Oct. 4	Agenda releases CFR application
Oct. 11	Agenda conducts CFR process webinar for all operators
Oct. 28	CFR applications due
Nov. 1-11	Evaluators score CFR applications and conduct site visits/interviews
Nov. 14	Evaluator Committees deliberate to make draft CFR allocation recommendations
Nov. 18	Agenda publicly posts draft CFR allocation recommendations
Nov. 29	NOEEN Steering Committee considers approval of Evaluator Committees preliminary CFR allocation recommendations
Dec. 1	Agenda submits NOEEN-approved CFR allocation recommendations to LDE
Jan. 17	BESE considers approval of final LDE CFR allocations

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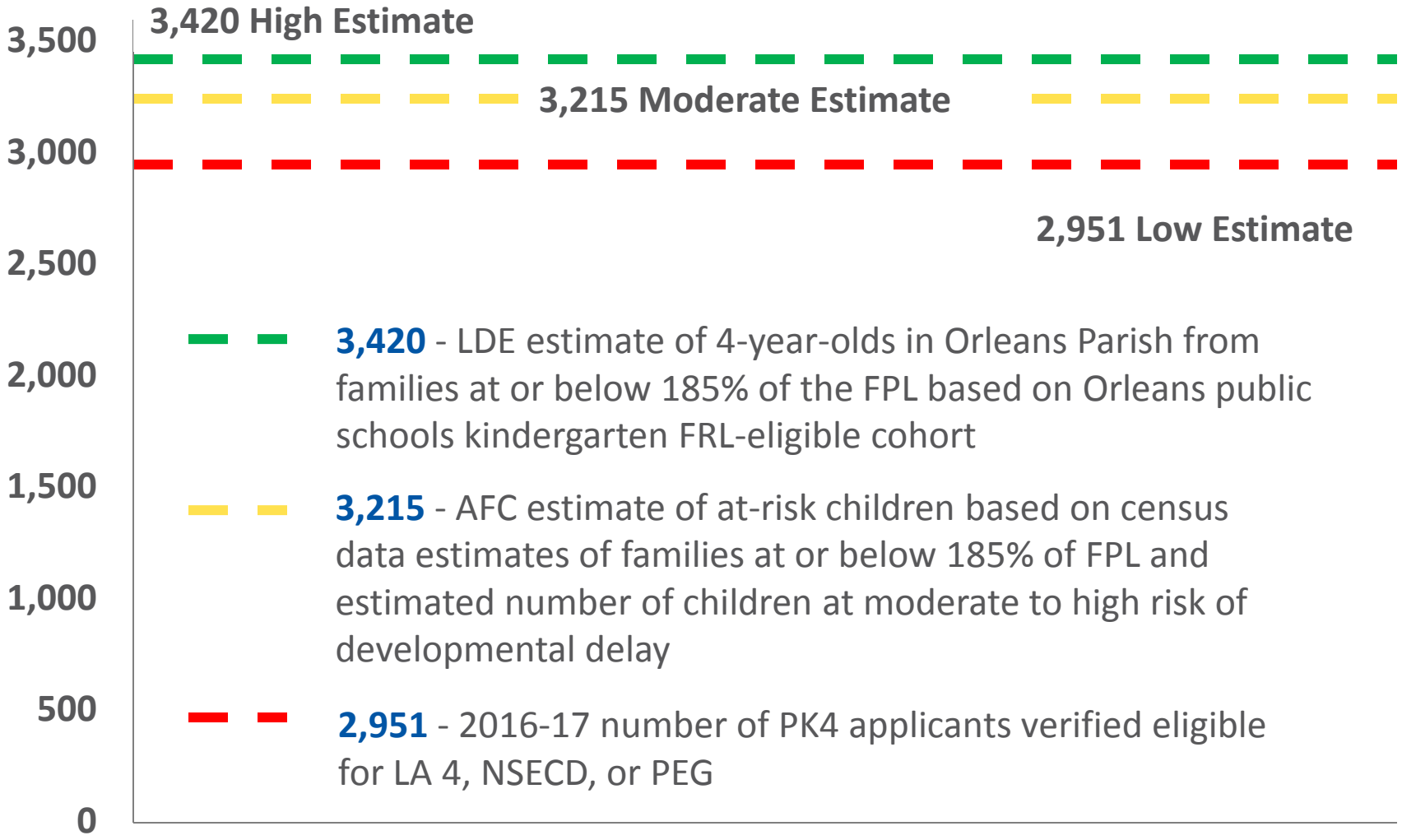
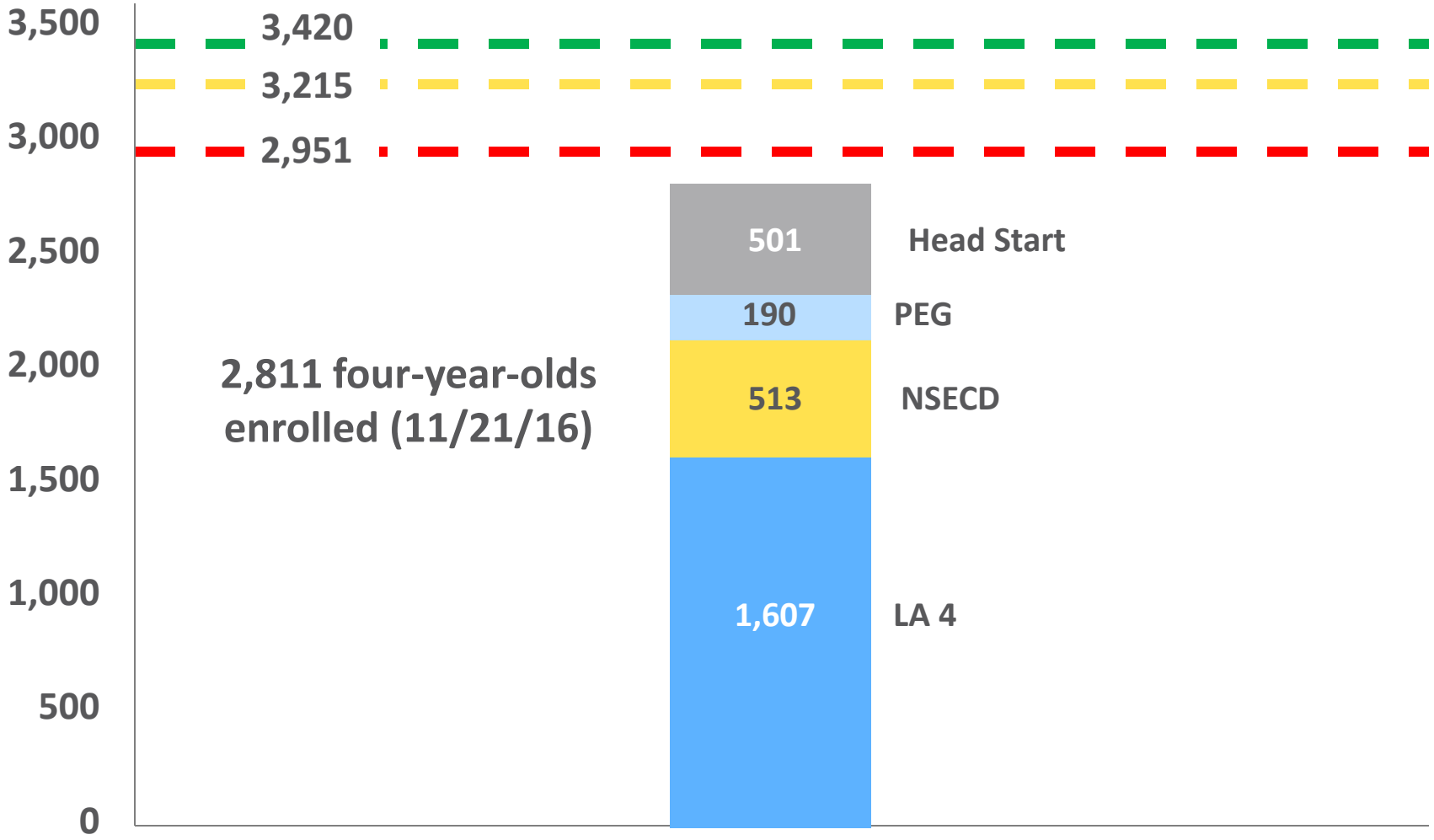
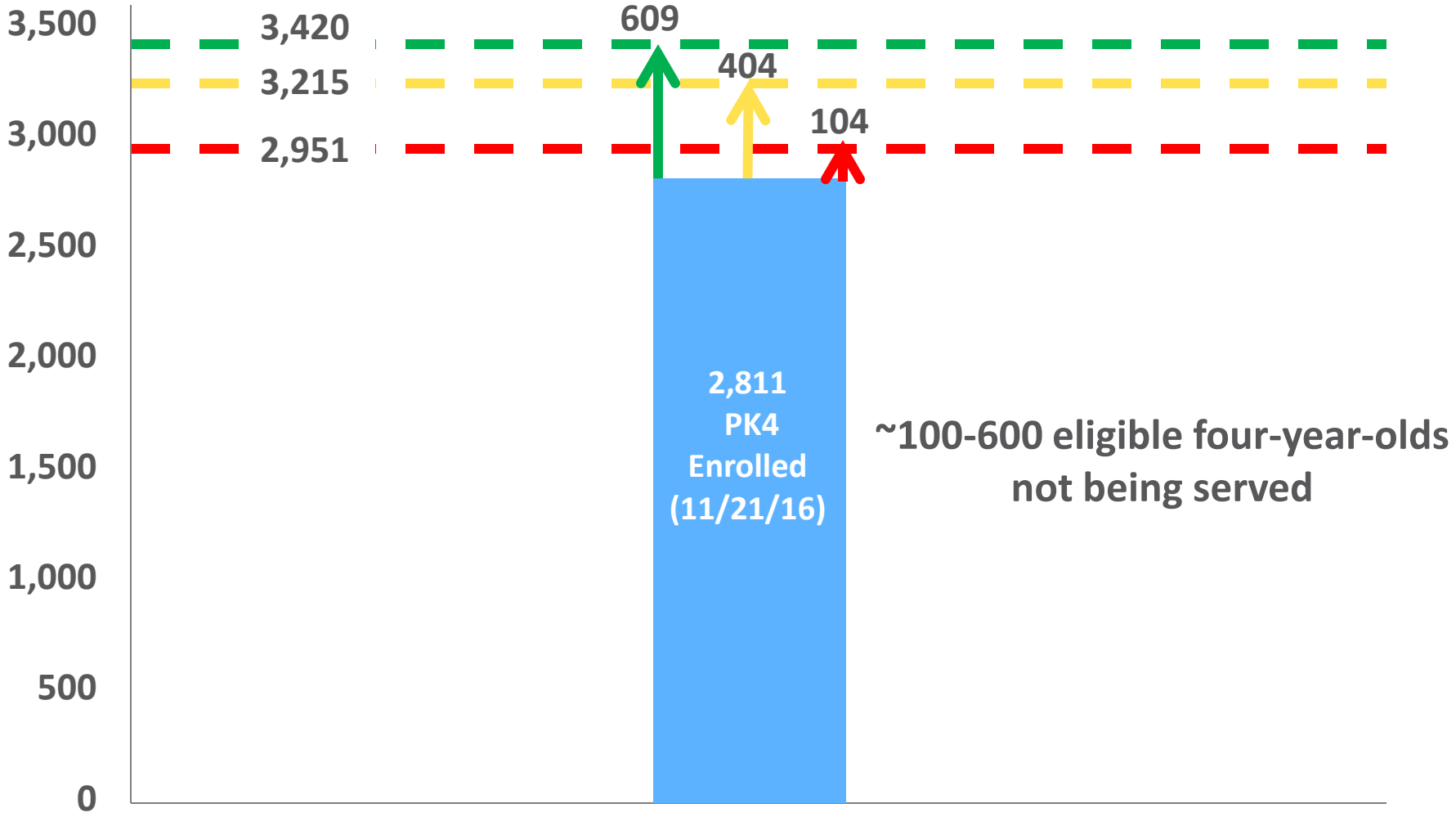
How Many Free PK4 Seats Do We Need to Serve All At-Risk Children?



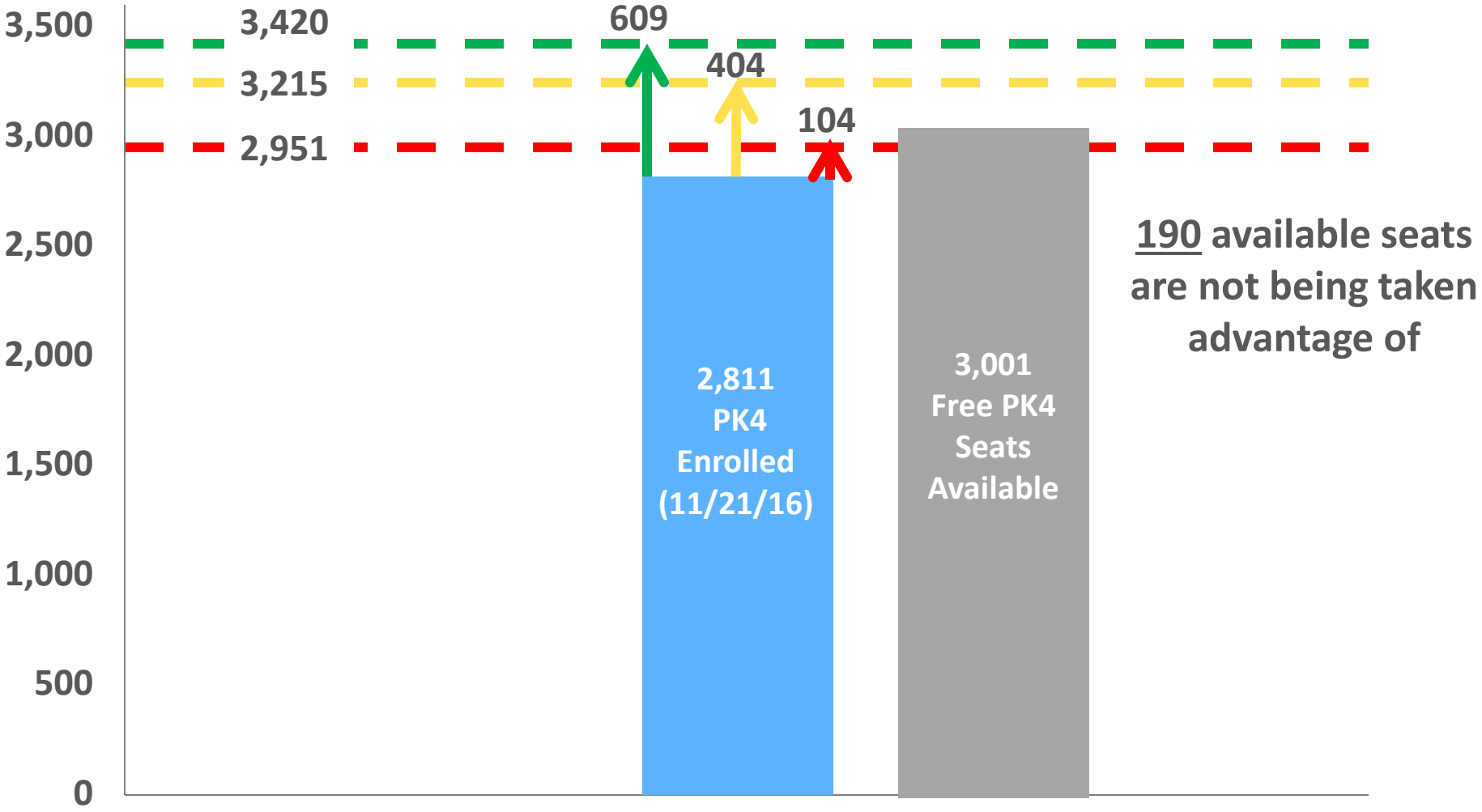
How Many Free PK4 Seats Are Families Taking Advantage of?



How Many Eligible Four-Year-Olds Are Not Being Served?



Children Enrolled v. Available Seats



Why the Discrepancy?

If there are an estimated 3,000-3,400 four-year-olds in New Orleans eligible for a free PK4 seat, why are only ~2,800 currently taking advantage of this?

Possible reasons:

- **Awareness:** Some eligible families are not aware of opportunity for free pre-K
- **Hidden costs of assigned program are too high for some families** (program is in an inconvenient location; having to transport child to/from program; cost of before/after-care, etc.)
- **Family Preferences:** Families who are unable to get a program they highly preferred are instead choosing no care or paid care over a free seat in a program they do not want. *There's a mismatch between where parents want to send their children and where seats are available.*
- **Some over-income children with developmental delays are not being identified.**
- **Verification Obstacles:** Some families are unable to meet procedural requirements of enrolling in a program (verification paperwork, travel to FRC or Head Start center during work hours, parents with literacy challenges may find the process difficult, etc.)

How Should this Data Inform the Coordinated Funding Request?

This data highlights an important tension that NOEEN needs to keep in mind when planning for the coordinated funding request:

Serving all eligible four-year-olds

~3,000-3,400 seats

May result in some empty seats not being taken advantage of

Under-enrolled classrooms; programs operating at a financial loss; closing classrooms mid-year; laying off staff

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Filling all publicly-funded PK4 seats

Max. 2,900 seats

Would mean giving up existing publicly-funded seats

Closing existing classrooms for next year and having to turn away any additional eligible four-year-olds

Achieving the Right Balance

Given these two extremes, we recommend that NOEEN attempt to strike a balance by:

- requesting from LDE a very small increase in publicly funded seats for 2017-18 in programs & program types where demand outstripped supply, and
- more aggressively helping to fill PK4 seats.

Funding Source	2016-17 Available Seats	2017-18 NOEEN Recommendation	Change (16-17 to 17-18)
LA 4	1,640	1,687	+47
NSECD	542	556	+14
PEG	230	220	-10
Head Start	589	(assuming) 589	(assuming) 0
TOTALS	*3,001*	*3,052*	*+51*

Rationale for Requested Additional Seats

- The amount of seats requested-**3,052**-is still at the conservative end of the range of total needed seats to serve all eligible PK4 seats (~2,900-3,400).
- We expect an increase in eligible families applying for free PK4 seats for 16-17 due to increased awareness and familiarity with the process.
- Some Head Start programs may decrease the number of PK4 Head Start seats available for 2017-18 to serve more PK3 children.
- This year, ~60 PK4 children who live outside of Orleans Parish are enrolled in NSECD or Type 2 charter school LA 4 programs; with 580 seats currently available to out-of-parish families, although not expected, *it is possible* more out-of-parish families may take advantage of these seats next year
- During Round 2 last year, some eligible families applied for a free seat through EnrollNOLA while simultaneously committing (via deposit) to a paid program to meet that program's deadline; with no Round 2 this year, families will be able to immediately select and enroll in a free program in May and June
- Only those programs with a good chance of filling (based on EnrollNOLA data and neighborhood need) are being recommended for increased seats

What Else Can Be Done to Help Fill Seats?

- EnrollNOLA, NOEEN, and Head Start providers work together to help set and review enrollment targets for Head Start PK3 and PK4 seats to ensure alignment with striking the right balance between serving all eligible PK4 children and filling classrooms
- Agenda increases support to existing PEG centers to recruit eligible children to apply to those classrooms
- If a current PEG center voluntarily drops a classroom before the fall and PEG seats are “freed” up, AFC will either return those seats to LDE or transfer them to a center or school that has reliable data to demonstrate that they can fill all the seats
- Agenda, EnrollNOLA, and providers determine new ways to collaborate to reach more eligible families to make them aware of enrollment process and program options
- Agenda and providers work with EnrollNOLA to implement the coordinated enrollment changes approved by the NOEEN Steering Committee at the last meeting to help improve the coordinated enrollment process for families
- Additional recommendations?

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Approvals to Consider

- Recommendations for NSECD Nonpublic Schools
- Recommendations for NSECD Centers
- Recommendations for LA 4:
  - ✦ Preferred Recommendation
  - ✦ Backup Recommendation
- Recommendations for Preschool Expansion Grant

Update on Coordinated Enrollment
November 29, 2016

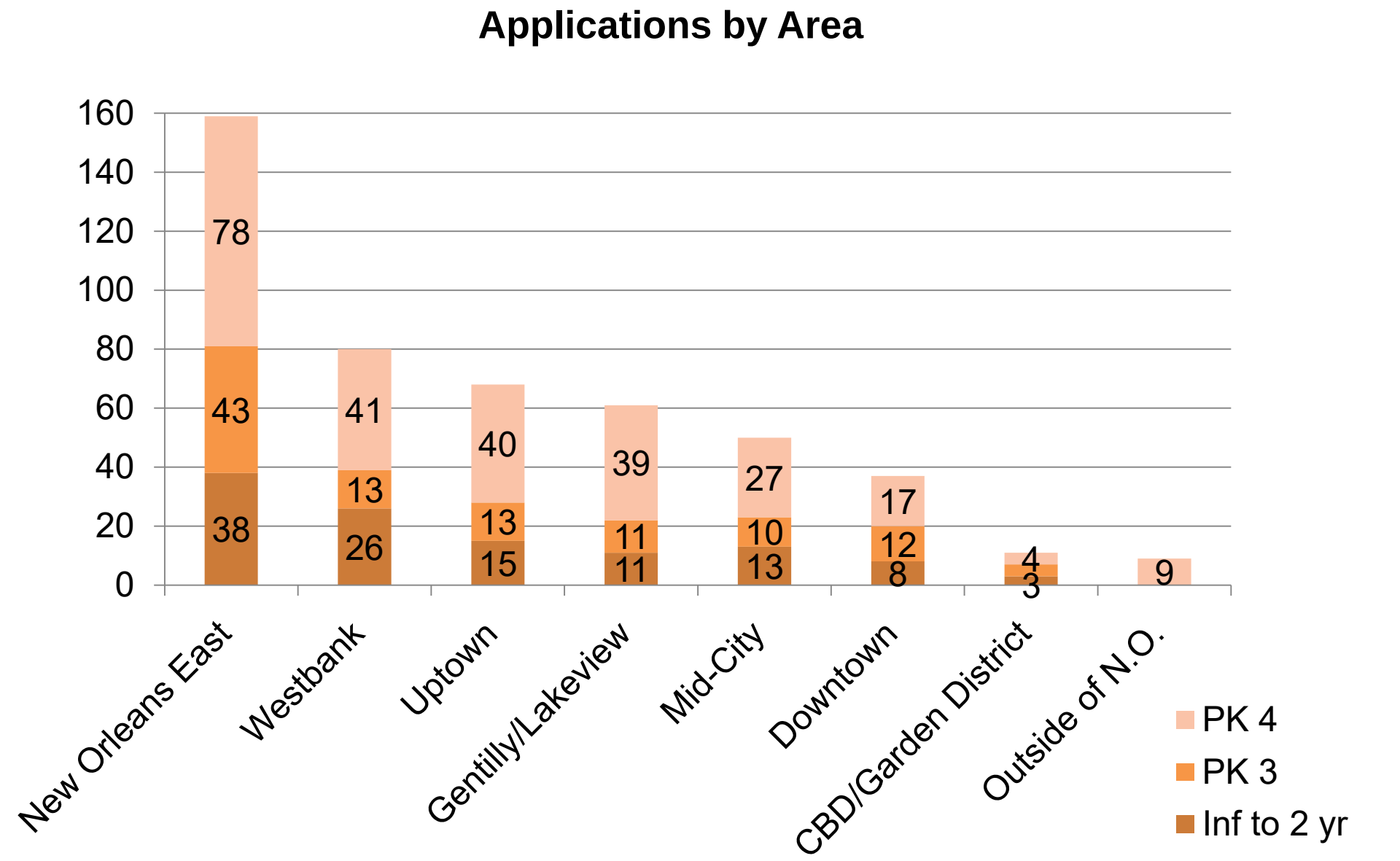
Main Round EC Application

Overall Applications Submitted, Verified

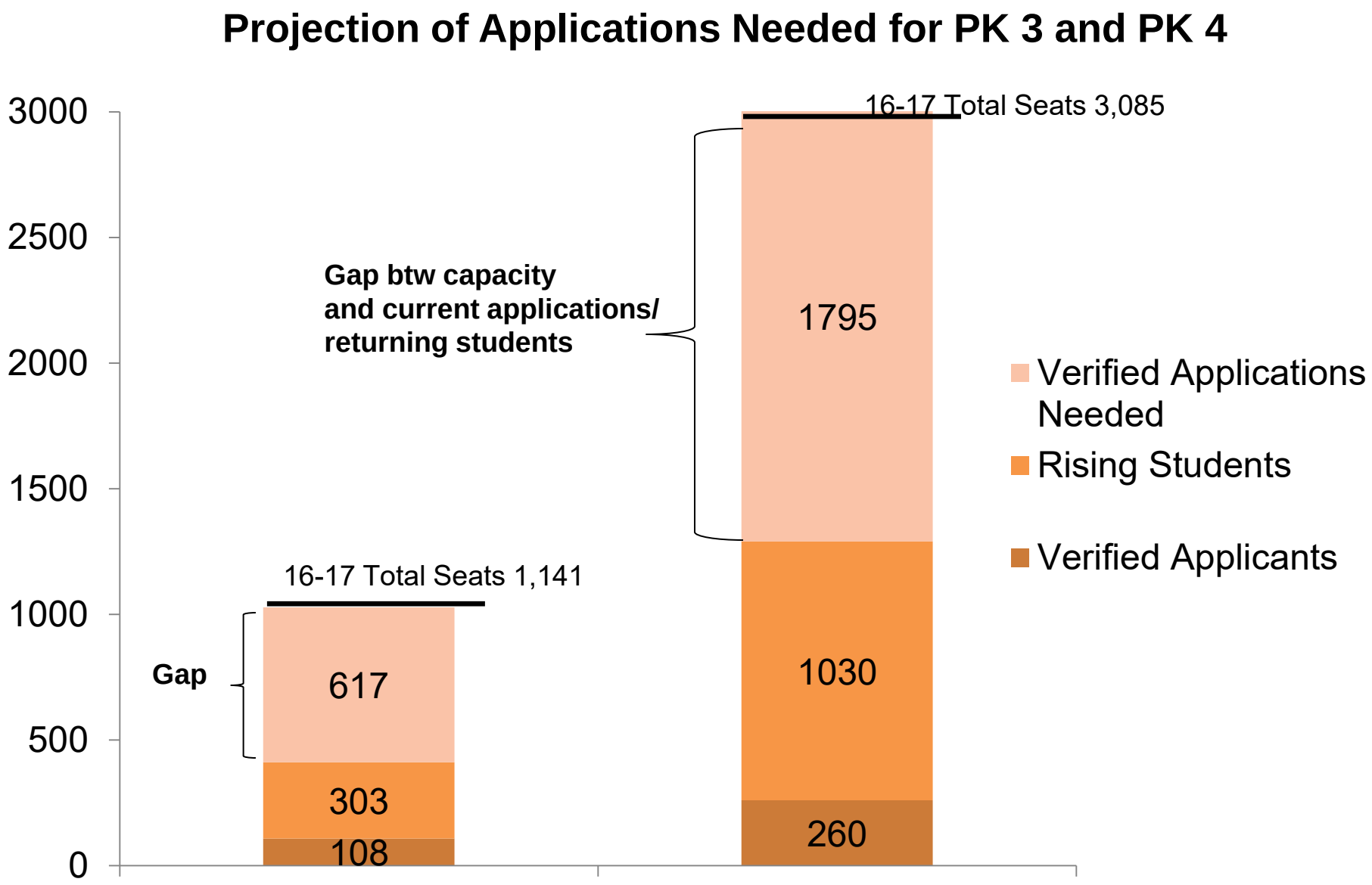
As of 11/23/2016	Infant	1 YR	2 YR	PK 3	PK 4	Total
Valid Applications entered	58	254	270	469	740	1791
Verifications completed	8	46	63	108	260	485
% Verifications completed	14%	18%	23%	23%	35%	27%

- All verification numbers are low, please remind families they must complete the application and verification to be included in the lottery.
- Infant verification numbers continue to trend lowest and PK 4 continue to trend highest.

Main Round Applications by Area



Main Round Applications & Guarantees



Main Round Updates

- EnrollNOLA team is working to automate EPC score entry. The first batch upload of scores should be available for centers to review in mid-December.

- FRC staff are uploading verification documents and attaching them to the EC Verification record. Head Start center staff should also be uploading verification documents. These documents are accessible throughout Main Round and will be accessible to centers and staff after the match.

- Centers with open seats for SY 2016-2017 should continue to reach out to EnrollNOLA staff to assign recruited families after completing EC Verification.

- Reminder that continuing students should not complete an application if they want to remain at their current center. EHS students moving to a partner HS program also should not complete an application if they want to remain at their current center (example: Kingsley House EHS to Kingsley House HS). Per Head Start regulations these students must complete re-certification within the Head Start system, but are not required to complete the OneApp.

- EHS+CCAP students should complete an application to apply to PK 3 programs.

Upcoming Events

Date	Action
December 17th	Recruitment opportunity: Urban Strategies Fair Treme
January 20th	Recruitment opportunity: NORDC Family Game Night Joe Brown Rec Center
January 24th	NOEEN Steering Committee Meeting
February 4th	Urban League Schools Expo: Superdome Field
February 10th	Recruitment opportunity: Black History Month Talent Showcase St. Bernard Rec Center

ORLEANS

2015-2016

5109 Publicly-Funded Children Enrolled • 153 Sites in Network

PRACTICE LEARNING YEAR: Initial Year of Public Reporting

Infants: Yes • **1yr olds:** Yes • **2yr olds:** Yes • **3yr olds:** Yes • **4yr olds:** Yes • **Providing Special Education?** Yes

A community network is all publicly-funded child care, Head Start, and PreK programs in their area, typically a parish.

MEASURES OF CLASSROOM QUALITY

High-quality classrooms are supportive, organized, and promote children's learning and development.

AP
4.34/7

CLASS MEASURES (1-7 Scale)		SITE	STATE
PREK (3-4 years)	EMOTIONAL SUPPORT	Proficient (5.34)	P (5.63)
	CLASSROOM ORGANIZATION	Proficient (5.16)	P (5.37)
	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	Unsatisfactory (2.79)	AP (3.53)
TODDLER (1-2 years)	EMOTIONAL & BEHAVIORAL SUPPORT	Proficient (4.84)	P (5.15)
	ENGAGED SUPPORT FOR LEARNING	Approaching Proficient (3.23)	AP (3.39)

U = Unsatisfactory	AP = Approaching Proficient	P = Proficient	E = Excellent
1-2.99	3-4.49	4.5-5.99	6-7

EQUITABLE ACCESS

E

To achieve kindergarten readiness for all at-risk children, networks have to increase opportunities for children to enroll.

90-100%

4YR OLDS ENROLLED

0 — 100

USE OF BEST PRACTICES

This is self-reported information that is not included in the rating.

ASSESSMENT

ARE TEACHERS MEASURING CHILD PROGRESS?

★★★

CURRICULUM QUALITY

WHAT IS THE QUALITY OF THE CURRICULUM?

37%

TEACHER SUPPORT

WERE TEACHERS SUPPORTED TO IMPROVE?

SOMEWHAT

FAMILY SATISFACTION

ARE FAMILIES SATISFIED WITH THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

SOMEWHAT

ARE FAMILIES SATISFIED WITH PROGRAMS?

VERY

BIRTH TO 3 ACCESS:

HOW MANY AT-RISK CHILDREN CAN ACCESS SEATS?

11-29%

BIRTH TO 3YR OLDS ENROLLED

0 — 100

PREPARED TEACHERS

WHAT IS THE HIGHEST DEGREE EARNED BY TEACHERS?

47%	15%	7%	23%	7%
No degree	Child Development Associates	Associates	Bachelors	Masters +

HOW MANY TEACHERS HAVE LOUISIANA TEACHER CERTIFICATIONS?

TOTAL CERTIFIED

37%

NOTE: Under previous three-level system the results for this community network would be 4.56 or Proficient

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Process

At its September 2016 meeting, the NOEEN Steering Committee approved a Coordinated Funding Request process and timeline. The funding recommendations on this spreadsheet are the result of the steps detailed in that approved process and timeline. This process, and additional information on the Coordinated Funding Request can be found online at http://www.agendaforchildren.org/coordinated-funding-request.html.

The following tabs in this spreadsheet represent the funding allocation recommendations from the Evaluator Committee for LA 4, NSECD, and Preschool Expansion Grant (PEG). The Evaluator Committee was comprised of individuals that do not operate programs but have expertise in administration and oversight for public schools (RSD and OPSB central office staff), nonpublic schools (LDE nonpublic schools staff), and early learning centers (Agenda for Children staff).

Each application was scored by one or more evaluator committee representatives and the entire Evaluator Committee team convened to compare and discuss the scores and additional relevant information for each program. At this convening, the Evaluator Committee determined recommendations for the number of LA 4, NSECD, and PEG that should be allocated to each program that applied.

Overall Recommendations

Statewide, funding is limited for LA 4, NSECD, and Preschool Expansion Grant. Because of this, the Louisiana Department of Education has advised NOEEN to clearly justify a request for an increase in total seats within a particular funding stream. As you can see below, we are recommending a citywide increase of 47 LA 4 seats and 14 NSECD seats. These increases are recommended because LA 4 and NSECD seats have achieved an overall 97% enrollment rate, and based on this and other quality and demand data, we believe a small expansion in both of these funding streams is needed to meet the needs of all eligible PK4 children in New Orleans.

Funding Source	16-17 Orleans Allocated Seats	17-18 Preferred Recommendation	Requested Change Year to Year
LA 4	1,640	1,687	47
Nonpublic School Early Childhood Development Program (NSECD)	542	556	14
Preschool Expansion Grant (PEG)	230	220	-10
TOTALS	***2,412***	***2,463***	***51***

Reading the Spreadsheet

NSECD – The recommendations for NSECD are split into two tabs 1) NSECD Nonpublics, and 2) NSECD Centers. We separated the recommendations for nonpublic schools and centers because nonpublic schools' quality scores are based on Scholarship Cohort Indices (SCI) and the centers' quality scores are based on Quality Start Star Ratings, and these two measures cannot be compared to one another.

LA 4 – The LA 4 recommendations are split into two tabs 1) LA 4 – Preferred Recommendation, and 2) LA 4 – Backup Recommendation. The preferred recommendation tab represents an ask to LDE to increase the total number of LA 4 seats in Orleans Parish by 47. However, in the situation that LDE may not be willing or able to increase the total number of LA 4 seats to Orleans Parish, we have recommended a less-preferred backup recommendation where the total number of LA 4 seats allocated to Orleans Parish does not increase. In this backup recommendation, some programs allocations are decreased and others are increased, all with the goal of ensuring that more seats are in higher-quality, more in demand schools and centers.

PEG – Due to the unique nature of the Preschool Expansion Grant as a grant administered by Agenda for Children, the process for evaluating PEG requests was managed by the Agenda for Children staff member who is responsible for administering the program, based on quantitative and observed data of the partnerships over the past year. Due to low enrollment in existing PEG programs, Agenda for Children has made the determination to not expand the number of PEG seats or classrooms for 2017-18 and not take on any new programs.

Next Steps

If you have any questions about these recommendations, or if you would like a copy of your program's scored rubrics, please contact tfalgoust@agendaforchildren.org.

Each program applicant, or any member of the public may provide public comment on the attached recommendations by submitting written feedback to: publiccoments@agenaforchildren.org.

These recommendations will be presented for consideration of approval to the NOEEN Steering Committee on Tuesday, November 29th during the NOEEN Steering Committee at 11:30a at the Agenda for Children Office, 8300 Earhart Blvd, 2nd Floor. Written public comments will be made available to NOEEN Steering Committee members, and applicant providers or members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and provide verbal public comment at that time. However, seating is limited, so we do ask that you inform kcraig@agendaforchildren.org if you plan on attending the meeting.

After approval of the recommendations by the NOEEN Steering Committee, the Louisiana Department of Education will review the NOEEN recommendations and will announce final allocations sometime in January.

Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations to NOEEN Steering Committee: LA4 Preferred Scenario

16-17 Allocated LA 4 Seats	**1640**
Number of Seats NOEEN Recommends for Decrease	**-33**
Number of Seats NOEEN Recommends for Increase	**80**
TOTAL 17-18 NOEEN Requested Seats	**1687**
Change from 2016-17 to 2017-18	**47**

Requests to Maintain or Decrease Existing Seats

LA 4 Site/Program Name	Organization	Total Score	16-17 LA 4 Allocated Seats	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee	Notes
Alice Harte Elementary School	InspireNOLA	12	40	**40**	
Audubon Charter School (French, Montessori)	Audubon	11	31	**30**	Note that Audubon also serves a number of tuition-funded PK4 children on-site.
Lycee Francais de la Nouvelle-Orleans (LFNO)	LFNO	11	40	**40**	Note that Lycee also serves 30 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site
Mary Bethune Elementary Literature/Technology	ExCEED/OPSB	10.5	82	**80**	
Benjamin Franklin Elementary	ExCEED/OPSB	10.5	20	**20**	
Lafayette Academy Charter School	Choice Foundation	10	40	**40**	
Martin Behrman Charter School	ACSA	9.5	40	**40**	***See request for additional seats below***
Andrew H. Wilson Charter School	InspireNOLA	9.5	40	**40**	
Morris Jeff Community School	Morris Jeff	9.5	50	**50**	Note that Morris Jeff also serves 20 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site.
Einstein Charter School at Sherwood Forest	Einstein	9	70	**70**	
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Charter School	Friends of King	9	80	**80**	
ReNEW Dolores T. Aaron Elementary	ReNEW	9	40	**40**	
ReNEW Cultural Arts Academy (located at McNair for 16-17)	ReNEW	9	60	**60**	
ReNEW Schaumburg Elementary	ReNEW	9	60	**60**	
Fannie C. Williams Charter School	CLASS	8.5	40	**40**	
Paul Habans Charter School	Crescent City Schools	8.5	60	**60**	
Einstein Charter School at Village De L'est	Einstein	8.5	40	**40**	
Encore Academy	Encore	8.5	36	**36**	***See request for additional seats below; Note that Encore also serves 4 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site.***
Mahalia Jackson Elementary	ExCEED/OPSB	8.5	20	**20**	***See request for additional seats below***
Robert Russa Moton Charter School	Moton	8.5	60	**40**	
ReNEW SciTech Academy (located at McNair for 16-17)	ReNEW	8.5	40	**40**	
Harriet Tubman Charter at Clara's Little Lambs	Crescent City Schools	8	50	**50**	
Langston Hughes Academy	FirstLine Schools	8	40	**40**	
Phillis Wheatley Community School	FirstLine Schools	8	40	**40**	
Dwight D. Eisenhower Academy of Global Studies	ACSA	7.5	20	**20**	
James M. Singleton Charter School	Dryades YMCA	7.5	40	**40**	
Crocker College Prep	New Orleans College Prep	7.5	40	**40**	***See request for additional seats below***
McDonogh #32 Literacy Charter School	ACSA	7	40	**40**	
Gentilly Terrace Charter School (moving to Alexander building)	New Beginnings	7	20	**20**	
Homer A. Plessy Community School	Plessy	7	30	**20**	Please note that Plessy currently serves 10 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site, and the decrease of 10 LA4 seats would allow them to serve an additional 10 tuition-funded PK4 children.
ReNEW McDonogh #28 City Park Academy	ReNEW	7	60	**60**	
William J. Fischer Accelerated Academy	ACSA	6.5	40	**40**	
ReNEW Dolores T. Aaron Elementary @ Gilda's Preschool	ReNEW	6.5	20	**20**	
Joseph A. Craig Charter School	Friends of King	6	40	**40**	
Sylvanie Williams College Prep	New Orleans College Prep	6	40	**40**	
McDonogh #42 Elementary Charter School	Choice Foundation	5.5	40	**40**	
ReNEW Early Childhood Center at McNair	ReNEW	5.5	51	**51**	
Medard H. Nelson Charter School	New Beginnings	5	40	**40**	
TOTALS			***1,640***	***1,607***	

Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations to NOEEN Steering Committee: LA4 Preferred Scenario

Requests to Expand Existing Seats or Start New LA 4 Programs

LA 4 Site/Program Name	Organization	Total Score	16-17 LA 4 Allocated Seats	TOTAL Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee	Notes/Rationale
Martin Behrman Charter School	ACSA	9.5	40	**60**	Recommended #1 for additional 20 seats because Behrman's LA 4 program is one of the highest demand free PK4 programs in the city. School has a C Letter Grade.
Samuel J. Green Charter School	FirstLine Schools	n/a	0	**16**	Recommended #2 for 20 seats to start a new PK4 program at this school because it would provide an additional PK4 choice to families in a neighborhood with few free existing free PK4 choices. School has a C Letter Grade and site visit demonstrated appropriate facilities, staff, and supports in place to support a quality program, including special programmatic features such as an Edible School Yard and teaching kitchen. Note that Green is requesting to serve one classroom of 16 LA 4 children and 4 PK4 Tuition children.
Akili Academy	Crescent City Schools	n/a	0	**20**	Recommended #3 for 20 seats to start a new PK4 program at this school in order to provide expanded access to a neighborhood with few free PK4 seats available in this high-need area. The school features a state-of-the-art facility with a classroom specifically designed to serve 4-year-olds.
Mahalia Jackson Elementary	ExCEED/OPSB	8.5	20	**40**	Recommended #4 for additional 20 seats because Mahalia Jackson has demonstrated sufficient demand for an additional classroom. This would provide an on-site free PK4 opportunity for additional PK3 children currently enrolled in Mahalia Jackson's Head Start program.
Encore Academy	Encore	8.5	36	**40**	Recommended #5 for additional 4 seats because 2016-17 demand data demonstrates that all school-based seats in this neighborhood have filled. Note that Encore is requesting an increase of 4 LA 4 seats so that they can serve 40 LA 4 children and 20 PK4 Tuition children on-site.
Crocker College Prep: A School for the Arts and Technology	NOCP	7.5	40	**40**	Not recommended for *additional* 20 seats because although Crocker has demonstrated sufficient demand for another classroom, its declining School Performance Score and Letter Grade of D do not make it a good candidate for adding a third section if LA 4 seats are limited.

Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations to NOEEN Steering Committee: LA4 Back-Up Strategy

16-17 Allocated LA 4 Seats	**1640**
Number of Seats Being Recommended for Decrease	**-83**
Number of Seats Being Recommended for Increase	**80**
17-18 Requested Seats	**1637**
Change from 2016-17 to 2017-18	**-3**

LA 4 Site/Program Name	Organization	Total Score	16-17 LA 4 Allocated Seats	17-18 LA4 Request	Change Requested by Operator for 17-18	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee	Difference Between NOEEN Recommendation and Operator Request	Notes
Alice Harte Elementary School	InspireNOLA	12	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Audubon Charter School (French, Montessori)	Audubon	11	31	30	-1	**30**	**0**	Note that Audubon also serves a number of tuition-funded PK4 children on-site.
Lycee Francais de la Nouvelle-Orleans (LFNO)	LFNO	11	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	Note that Lycee also serves 20 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site
Mary Bethune Elementary Literature/Technology	ExCEED/OPSB	10.5	82	80	-2	**80**	**0**	
Benjamin Franklin Elementary	ExCEED/OPSB	10.5	20	20	0	**20**	**0**	
Lafayette Academy Charter School	Choice Foundation	10	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Martin Behrman Charter School	ACSA	9.5	40	60	20	**60**	**0**	Recommended for additional 20 seats because Behrman's LA 4 program is one of the highest demand free PK4 programs in the city. School has a C Letter Grade.
Andrew H. Wilson Charter School	InspireNOLA	9.5	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Morris Jeff Community School	Morris Jeff	9.5	50	50	0	**50**	**0**	Note that Morris Jeff also serves 30 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site.
Einstein Charter School at Sherwood Forest	Einstein	9	70	70	0	**70**	**0**	
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Charter School	Friends of King	9	80	80	0	**80**	**0**	
ReNEW Dolores T. Aaron Elementary	ReNEW	9	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
ReNEW Cultural Arts Academy (located at McNair for 16-17)	ReNEW	9	60	60	0	**60**	**0**	
ReNEW Schaumburg Elementary	ReNEW	9	60	60	0	**60**	**0**	
Fannie C. Williams Charter School	CLASS	8.5	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Paul Habans Charter School	Crescent City Schools	8.5	60	60	0	**60**	**0**	
Einstein Charter School at Village De L'est	Einstein	8.5	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Encore Academy	Encore	8.5	36	40	4	**30**	**-10**	Not recommended for additional 4 LA 4 seats because 2016-17 demand data demonstrates that it may be difficult for Encore to fill all 20 planned tuition-funded PK4 seats. Currently, Encore serves 4 tuition-funded PK4 students. Instead of adding an entire section of tuition-funded PK4 children, we recommend they decrease LA 4 seats by 6 in order to serve 10 total tuition-funded PK 4 students and based on that data, and consider further expansion of tuition-funded PK4 seats in future years.
Mahalia Jackson Elementary	ExCEED/OPSB	8.5	20	40	20	**40**	**0**	Recommended for additional 20 seats because Mahalia Jackson has demonstrated sufficient demand for an additional classroom. Also, this would provide an on-site free PK4 opportunity for more PK3 children enrolled in Mahalia Jackson's Head Start program.
Robert Russa Moton Charter School	Moton	8.5	60	40	-20	**40**	**0**	
ReNEW SciTech Academy (located at McNair for 16-17)	ReNEW	8.5	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Harriet Tubman Charter at Clara's Little Lambs	Crescent City Schools	8	50	50	0	**50**	**0**	
Langston Hughes Academy	FirstLine Schools	8	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Phillis Wheatley Community School	FirstLine Schools	8	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Dwight D. Eisenhower Academy of Global Studies	ACSA	7.5	20	20	0	**20**	**0**	
James M. Singleton Charter School	Dryades YMCA	7.5	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Crocker College Prep	New Orleans College Prep	7.5	40	60	20	**40**	**-20**	Not recommended for additional 20 seats because although Crocker has demonstrated sufficient demand for another classroom, its declining School Performance Score and Letter Grade of D do not make it a good candidate for adding a third section if LA 4 seats are limited.
McDonogh #32 Literacy Charter School	ACSA	7	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Gentilly Terrace Charter School (moving to Alexander building)	New Beginnings	7	20	20	0	**20**	**0**	
Homer A. Plessy Community School	Plessy	7	30	20	-10	**20**	**0**	Please note that Plessy currently serves 10 tuition-funded PK4 children on-site, and the decrease of 10 LA4 seats would allow them to serve an additional 10 tuition-funded PK4 children.
ReNEW McDonogh #28 City Park Academy	ReNEW	7	60	60	0	**60**	**0**	
William J. Fischer Accelerated Academy	ACSA	6.5	40	40	0	**20**	**-20**	Fischer is an F school, and a 20 seat decrease is recommended in order to free up seats for expansion at higher-performing schools.
ReNEW Dolores T. Aaron Elementary @ Gilda's Preschool	ReNEW	6.5	20	20	0	**20**	**0**	
Joseph A. Craig Charter School	Friends of King	6	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Sylvanie Williams College Prep	New Orleans College Prep	6	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
McDonogh #42 Elementary Charter School	Choice Foundation	5.5	40	40	0	**20**	**-20**	McDonogh 42 is an F school, and a 20 seat decrease is recommended in order to free up seats for expansion at higher-performing schools.
ReNEW Early Childhood Center at McNair	ReNEW	5.5	51	51	0	**51**	**0**	
Medard H. Nelson Charter School	New Beginnings	5	40	40	0	**40**	**0**	
Samuel J. Green Charter School	FirstLine Schools	n/a	0	16	16	**16**	**0**	Recommended for 20 seats to start a new PK4 program at this school because it would provide an additional PK4 choice to families in a neighborhood with few free existing free PK4 choices. School has a C Letter Grade and site visit demonstrated appropriate facilities, staff, and supports in place to support a quality program, including special programmatic features such as an Edible School Yard and teaching kitchen. Note that Green is requesting to serve one classroom of 16 LA 4 children and 4 PK4 Tuition children.
Akili Academy	Crescent City Schools	n/a	0	20	20	**20**	**0**	Recommended for 20 new seats to start a PK4 program at this school in order to provide expanded access to a neighborhood with few free PK4 seats available in this high-need area. The school features a state-of-the-art facility with a classroom specifically designed to serve 4-year-olds.
TOTALS			***1640***		***67***	***1637***	***-70***	

16-17 Allocated NSECD Nonpublic Seats	**366**
Number of Seats NOEEN Recommends for Decrease	**-1**
Number of Seats NOEEN Recommends for Increase	**0**
TOTAL 17-18 NOEEN Requested Seats	**365**
Change from 2016-17 to 2017-18	**-1**

NSECD Grantee Name	Scholarship Program Status	Total Points	NSECD Allocation 16-17	17-18 Request	Change Requested by Operator for 17-18	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee for 17-18	Notes
St. Benedict the Moor	In good standing	7.5	17	17	0	**17**	
Resurrection of Our Lord School	In good standing	6.5	80	80	0	**80**	
St. Leo the Great	In good standing	6.5	36	36	0	**36**	
St. Mary's Academy	In good standing	6.5	80	80	0	**80**	
St. Alphonsus School	In good standing	5.5	40	40	0	**40**	
St. Peter Claver School	In good standing	5	20	19	-1	**19**	
St. Rita School	In good standing	5	38	38	0	**38**	
St. Joan of Arc School	In good standing	3	35	40	5	**35**	Not recommended for an increase in seats because the program had not filled all of its currently funded seats by November 1.
St. Stephen School	In good standing	2.5	20	30	10	**20**	Not recommended for an increase in seats because the program had not filled all of its currently funded seats by November 1.
Kidz View	Participant, but no Scholarship Cohort Index due to low enrollment	n/a	0	20	20	**0**	Not recommended for NSECD seats. Very low enrollment at school indicates it may be difficult to fill NSECD seats. Additionally, no quantitative quality data is available (the program is licensed as a center, but has no Star Rating; and, it participates in Scholarship Program, but does not have a Scholarship Cohort Index score).
Bishop McManus	On probation and not permitted to accept any new students for 16-17 and 17-18	n/a	0	15	15	**0**	Not recommended for NSECD seats. Program was excluded from consideration because the school is currently on probation with the Louisiana Scholarship Program and not permitted to accept any new students.
TOTALS			***366***	***415***	***49***	***365***	

Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations to NOEEN Steering Committee: NSECD for Centers

16-17 Allocated NSECD Center Seats	176
Number of Seats NOEEN Recommends for Decrease	-5
Number of Seats NOEEN Recommends for Increase	20
TOTAL 17-18 NOEEN Requested Seats	191
Change from 2016-17 to 2017-18	15

Requests to Maintain or Decrease Existing Seats

Center Name	Total Score	NSECD Allocation 16-17	NSECD Request 17-18	Change Requested by Operator for 17-18	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee	Notes
McMillian's First Steps CCDC	8.25	80	80	0	80	Note that McMillian's is also a nonpublic school and participant in the Louisiana Scholarship Program, in good standing.
Royal Castle Child Development	7	16	16	0	16	
Clara's Little Lambs	6.25	40	40	0	40	
Wilcox Academy	5.5	20	15	-5	15	
Cuddly Bear Child Development Center	5	20	20	0	20	
TOTALS		*176*	*171*	*-5*	*171*	

Requests for New NSECD Programs

Center Name	Total Score	NSECD Allocation 16-17	NSECD Request 17-18	Change Requested by Operator for 17-18	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee	Notes
Shelia's Kiddie Cottage	5.75	0	20	20	20	Recommended for 20 NSECD seats because Shelia's Kiddie Cottage has an appropriate facility and has participated in the LA 4 program before through a school partnership and was able to fill seats. Demand data shows that the West Bank has a need for additional free PK4 seats.
Small World Academy	5.625	0	20	20	0	Not recommended for NSECD seats because of limited statewide availability of NSECD seats.
Children's College of Academics	5.25	0	20	20	0	Not recommended for NSECD seats because of limited statewide availability of NSECD seats.
Dryades YMCA	5	0	10	10	0	Not recommended for NSECD seats, because center is ineligible for NSECD because it does not have any Quality Start stars (minimum of 3 Stars required to participate in NSECD).
TOTALS		*0*	*70*	*70*	*20*	

Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations to NOEEN Steering Committee: Preschool Expansion Grant

16-17 Allocated PEG Seats	**230**
Number of Seats Being Recommended for Decrease	**-10**
Number of Seats Being Recommended for Increase	**0**
17-18 Requested Seats	**220**
Change from 2016-17 to 2017-18	**-10**

Requests to Decrease Existing Seats

School Partner	Center Partner	16-17 PEG Seats	Change Requested by Operator	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee
n/a	John W. Hoffman College Prep	10	-10	**0**
TOTALS		***10***	***-10***	***0***

Requests to Maintain Existing Seats

School Partner	Center Partner	16-17 PEG Seats	Change Requested by Operator	Recommendation to NOEEN Steering Committee
New Beginnings - Pierre A. Capdau Charter School	Rainbow Academy	20	0	**20**
Homer A. Plessy Community School	Kids of Excellence	20	0	**20**
New Beginnings - Gentilly Terrace Charter School	Winn's Discovery Center	20	0	**20**
Einstein Charter School	Children's Palace	40	0	**40**
Foundation Preparatory Charter School	Creative Kidz East	40	0	**40**
ReNEW - Schaumburg Elementary	Sentino Academy Too	20	0	**20**
Homer A. Plessy Community School	Open Minds, Open Hearts	20	0	**20**
Success Preparatory Academy	Magical Moments	20	0	**20**
ReNEW - Dolores T. Aaron Academy	Changing Stages	20	0	**20**
TOTALS		***220***	***0***	***220***

Coordinated Funding Request Recommendations to NOEEN Steering Committee: Preschool Expansion Grant

Requests from Centers for PEG Seats Not Recommended Due to No Confirmed School Partnership and/or a center having fewer than 2 stars
Auntie B Learning
Dryades YMCA
Kidz View
Kidz Zone
Little People's Workshop
Rayne Early Childhood Program
Robinson Learning Academy
Shelia's Kiddie Cottage
Small World Academy
The Preschool Learning Center