



State of Florida
Department of Children and Families

Rick Scott
Governor

Mike Carroll
Secretary

March 1, 2018

The Honorable Joe Negron
President of the Florida Senate
409 The Capitol
404 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear President Negron:

As required by section 414.1251(3), Florida Statutes, enclosed for your records is the annual report for the Learnfare Program.

This report contains data to ensure accountability and effectiveness of the Learnfare Program. The report data is provided by the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Education. This report also has been sent to the Speaker of the House.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience. If your staff have any questions, please have them contact Liesta Sykes, Director of the Economic Self-Sufficiency Program, at (850) 717-4085.

Sincerely,

Mike Carroll,
Secretary

Enclosure

1317 Winewood Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700

Mission: Work in Partnership with Local Communities to Protect the Vulnerable, Promote Strong and Economically Self-Sufficient Families, and Advance Personal and Family Recovery and Resiliency



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| Reporting Agency: | Department of Children and Families |
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| Recipient Agency: | Presiding Officers of the Legislature |
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| Subject: | Annual Report for the Learnfare Program |
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| Report Due Date: | March 2018 |
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| Statutory Requirement: | Section 414.1251(3), Florida Statutes |
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Abstract: Section 414.1251(3), Florida Statutes, requires the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to submit an annual report to the Legislature to ensure accountability and assess the effectiveness of the Learnfare program. DCF shall include the number of students and families reported by school districts as out of compliance, the number of students and families sanctioned as a result, and the number of students and families reinstated after becoming compliant. This report contains FY 2016-17 data from both DCF and the Department of Education (DOE). The data is summarized as follows:

1. For the period of July 1, 2016, through June 1, 2017, DOE reported **5,902** students and families were out of compliance.
2. For the period of July 1, 2016, through June 1, 2017, DCF imposed a sanction on **718** students and families as a result of being out of compliance.
3. For the period of July 1, 2016, through June 1, 2017, DCF reinstated **230** students and families after complying with the Learnfare program.

Additional copies of this report may be obtained by contacting the Department of Children and Families' Economic Self Sufficiency Program, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 3, Suite 102, Tallahassee, Florida.