

## BULLETIN

### **Information Regarding WRISA Accredited Schools that have a Four Year Old Kindergarten (4K) Program That Is Under the Auspices of the Local Public School**

This bulletin is to provide information to religious and independent schools that have Four Year Old Kindergarten (4K) programs that are part of a community partnership with a local public school about the accreditation status of those programs.

If you have formed a partnership with the local public school to 'house' or 'operate' their 4K program, technically that 4K program is a 'public school' program under the supervision of the local public school. Because it is not considered part of the total educational program provided by your religious or independent school, this 4K program cannot be accredited by WRISA.

Therefore, if this is the case with your 4K program, be advised it is no longer accredited by WRISA. When submitting your Annual Report, please use the 'Substantive Change' form in the Annual Report. Enter the change under the 'Standard' section 'Change in grade structure'. Do not include children enrolled in this program in the 'Student Enrollment' count in the Annual Report.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact your jurisdiction's representative or the WRISA executive director ([wrisa@wrisa.net](mailto:wrisa@wrisa.net))

For more information regarding the Policy and Regulations related to the Four Year Old Kindergarten (4K) program please refer to <http://dpi.wi.gov/fscp/pdf/4kbul08.pdf> (Specific references can be found in Questions 2,43, 46, 55, 56, 75)

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#### **REFERENCE:**

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***SUBJECT: FOUR-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN***

***PROGRAM AREA: EARLY CHILDHOOD***

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