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Subject: Parents as Teachers Update

There is a lot of planning and conversation around the start of the new school year. As a reminder, the Parents as Teachers (PAT) program is required and is an important piece to every district's school readiness plan. The Early Learning section would like to provide an update on important details moving forward.

- PAT allocations for FY21 are available in ePeGS.
- Every district is strongly encouraged to submit monthly payment requests for services provided. If your district is not able to do so on a monthly basis be sure to review the revised Early Childhood Development Act Administrative Manual, (link) Section 2.11 for the new reporting requirements.

The COVID-19 Health Crisis came quickly in March impacting service delivery. The Parents as Teachers National Center and our department worked together to provide strategies for continuing services in an effective manner that was safe for both the families and the parent educators. Over 300 school districts continued to provide services through virtual and telecommunications. As the new program year begins, every school district will need to be prepared to deliver PAT services. Information, guidance and additional resources are available on the [Early Learning webpage](#).

Many Missouri families are struggling during these difficult times. PAT can be the opportunity to keep families connected to valuable resources that can support their child's safe and healthy development. The Early Learning Supervisors are ready to support your district's PAT program. [Contact us](#) for assistance as we begin this new school year.