

## **A-Business Community (ABC) School Program**

In 2006, the Florida Legislature created Section 1013.721(ABC School Program) of the Florida Statutes to promote the development of worksite kindergarten-third grade classrooms/schools within local businesses. Such classrooms/schools would be subject to the same guidelines and regulations as all other public schools and must comply with constitutional class size requirements.

The ABC School Program Business Application must be completed by any business interested in establishing an on-site classroom/school. The application will be reviewed initially by a committee comprised of representatives from the local business community and Alachua County Public Schools. Applications should be submitted to:

Alachua County Public Schools  
Public Information Office  
Attn: ABC Schools Committee  
620 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, FL 32601

If an application receives initial approval from the ABC Committee, Alachua County Public Schools staff will work with representatives from the business to develop a contract for the operation of the ABC school. The contract must also receive approval from the ABC Committee and the School Board of Alachua County.

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### **ABC SCHOOL BUSINESS APPLICATION**

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

The following items should be addressed in a separate narrative.

1. Describe the projected student population for this school, including the number of students to be served, grade level, demographic composition (including free and reduced price lunch eligibility of projected student population), special needs, etc. Also indicate if any of the projected students are currently living in districts other than Alachua County.
2. Describe the potential classroom(s) site, including number of rooms, square footage, restroom facilities, kitchen facilities (if applicable), special needs accommodations (i.e. wheelchair ramps), recreational facilities (if available) etc. Include a description of the safety and security conditions, such as access to the site by adults, visitor monitoring, etc.
3. Describe the business (how many years in business, product/service offered, number of employees, etc.
4. List the names, titles and phone numbers of those on-site employees who would be working with school district staff to coordinate the operation of the classroom(s).