



FGCU REGULATION 3.004

Educational Research Center for Child Development

*Effective Date
of Regulation*

June 16, 2009

- A. General. Educational Research Centers for Child Development are child day care centers established to provide care for children of students, both graduate and undergraduate, faculty, and other staff and employees of the University. These Centers also provide an opportunity for interested schools or departments of the University to conduct educational research programs and establish internship programs within such centers in accordance with section 1011.48, Florida Statutes. The purpose of these Centers is to provide research and training activities which are representative of a comprehensive scope of child development needs throughout the community.
- B. This regulation applies to the operations of the Educational Research Center for Child Development at Florida Gulf Coast University, known as the Family Resource Center.
- C. There shall be an Advisory Board of Directors for the Family Resource Center.
- D. The Board shall be made up of an odd number of persons and shall consist of the President of the University or designee, the student government president or designee, one parent for each 50 children enrolled (elected by the parents of children enrolled in the Center), the Chair or designee of each department participating in the Center, and one campus-wide or Community person to be determined by the President.
- E. The Center shall be managed by a Director, hired by the Provost or designee through the FGCU employment process, and approved by the Center's Board. The Center Director shall be an ex officio, non-voting member of the Center's Advisory Board of Directors.
- F. The Board of Directors shall establish local policies and shall perform oversight and operational guidance for the Center.
- G. The Center shall give highest priority to serving the children of students, followed by the children of staff and faculty and shall develop a policy to guide implementation of the established priority.
- H. The University Board of Trustees will authorize the assessment of child care and service fees for the Family Resource Center. Such fees should be set at a level required to support the cost of providing the service. Exceptions should be made for children of students and may be made for low-income faculty and staff. These fees must be approved by the University Board of Trustees in accordance with BOG Regulation 7.003(17).
- I. The Family Resource Center shall be funded by a portion of the Capital Improvement Trust Fund (CITF) fee established by the Board of Governors pursuant to section 1009.24(8),

Florida Statutes, with the University receiving a portion of such fees collected from FGCU students and usable only at FGCU.

- J. The CITF fee portion shall equal 22.5 cents per student credit hour taken per term, based on summer, fall and spring semesters. Such allocation may be made only after all bond obligations required to be paid from such fees have been met.
- K. Funds appropriated for the Educational and General activities of the State University System shall not be used to staff and operate the Center.

Authority

*Sections 1009.24(17) and 1001.74(3)c, Florida Statutes
BOG Regulation 10.004, Education Research Centers for Child Development*

History of Regulation

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*Approved by the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees
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