

F.A.S.T. Accomplishments: Pre-Kindergarten

In 2005, F.A.S.T. secured commitments from the director of the Early Learning Coalition, Ms. Chapman, to provide funding for a full-day of Pre-K for any child whose parents are working and make less than 200% of the poverty level. To date, over 3,000 low-income 4-year-olds in Pinellas County have been able to attend Pre-K because of this funding.

F.A.S.T. was also able to get the Early Learning Coalition to hire a full-time outreach coordinator. Because of this, Pinellas County was #2 in the state for the percentage of children enrolled in Pre-K programs.