



Congratulations!



Your child is enrolled in a child care center that is participating in the STARS for KIDS NOW program. Your child's center has received a rating of **ONE STAR**.

What is STARS for KIDS NOW?

STARS for KIDS NOW is Kentucky's voluntary quality rating system for licensed type I, type II and certified family child care homes. Ratings are from one to four STARS. A center's participation in STARS for KIDS NOW indicates that the program's staff wish to measure quality indicators above those standards required by licensing regulations.

STARS for KIDS Now is part of Kentucky's Early Childhood Initiative, KIDS NOW.

For more information about STARS for KIDS NOW:

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What does a one-STAR rating mean for your child?

One-STAR centers and family child care homes are showing their commitment to quality by entering the STARS for KIDS NOW program.

- Staff has participated in an in-house STARS Overview which covered licensing regulations, STARS standards, Environment Rating Scales (ERS) and the Kentucky Early Childhood Development Scholarship Program.
- The facility has a plan of program activities (lesson plan) as well as a daily schedule, and both are posted.
- The facility conducts at least one family involvement activity annually.
- The facility meets current licensing standards for training and staff-to-child ratios.
- Staff creates and implements an annual staff development plan.
- Licensed type II and certified homes have written program policies and a parent/provider agreement.