



Kentucky All STARS for Preschool New Administrative Regulation

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What is Kentucky All STARS?

- ▶ Kentucky All STARS is a Tiered Quality Rating and Improvement System (TQRIS).
- ▶ TQRIS is a method to assess, improve and communicate the level of quality in early care and education and wrap around services in Kentucky.



Why do we need a new regulation?

- ▶ Pursuant to KRS 199.8943, participation in the quality rating system by public-funded child-care centers, certified family child-care homes, state-funded preschool and Head Start programs is mandatory. “Public-funded” means a program which receives local, state, or federal funding.
- ▶ Participation in Kentucky All STARS will provide programs with resources and supports to increase the quality of care and education to our youngest learners.



What's in 704 KAR 3:015?

- ▶ **Section 1** defines terms used in the administrative regulation.
- ▶ **Section 2** requires state-funded preschool sites to achieve at least a level three rating in Kentucky All STARS.
- ▶ **Section 3** requires KDE to use criteria developed in consultation with CHFS and GOEC for determining a preschool site's quality rating level.
- ▶ **Section 4** requires preschool sites to verify performance annually with KDE to ensure STARS quality is maintained during the three year certification period.



What's in 704 KAR 3:015?

- ▶ **Section 5** outlines the Kentucky All STARS renewal process for a preschool site.
- ▶ **Section 6** identifies potential conditions requiring a reevaluation of a preschool site's certification.
- ▶ **Section 7** provides the actions KDE may take if a program site does not meet regulatory requirements for the state-funded preschool program.
- ▶ **Section 8** outlines the appeal process for preschool sites when KDE revokes or takes other action against a site's STAR certification.
- ▶ **Section 9** incorporates by reference the Kentucky All STARS Rating System.



What's the timeline for filing?

- ▶ February 2018 – KDE will present a draft administrative regulation to KBE for a first reading.
- ▶ February 2018 – GOEC will convene a multi-agency workgroup to develop a memorandum of understanding (MOU) affirming each agency's commitment to a unified TQRIS.
- ▶ April 2018 – KDE will present a revised draft administrative regulation to KBE for a second reading and file the regulation with LRC for publication in the May 1 register.
- ▶ May 2018 – KDE will schedule a public hearing for 704 KAR 3:015.
- ▶ June 2018 – KDE's regulation will be placed on the ARRS agenda. The regulation may be adopted in July or August.



State-Funded Preschool Advancement in KY All STARS

Non-Monetary Incentive Funds

Anderson RTC

46.5% HQ

Sites: 74

\$1,811,880

Simpson RTC

98.87% HQ

Sites: 90

\$1,146,580

Ashland RTC

63.2% HQ

Sites: 48

\$811,500

Calloway RTC

100% HQ

Sites: 78

\$1,071,756

Berea RTC

84.7% HQ

Sites: 100

\$1,535,289

Project Updates from the Kentucky Department of Education



1,014

Staff trained in Block
Play

\$ 1,258,450 spent



988

Staff trained in
Visual/Performing Arts
\$ 1,966,005 spent



399

Administrators trained
\$ 235,570 spent



1,097

Staff trained in Dramatic
Play

\$ 1,305,900 spent



205

Staff trained in
Kentucky's Initiative in
Social Emotional
Development
\$ 89,080 spent

Questions - Discussion



Kentucky All STARS recognizes and supports quality early care and education programs throughout the Commonwealth.