

26/27 Quality Counts

Family Child Care Providers

Who is Eligible

Licensed Family Child Care sites that serve children ages 0-5 years

How to Get Started

Complete the Online Application

[New Applicants Click Here to Apply](#)

[Returning Applicants Click Here](#)

This application is for a Site Stipend. Family Child Care Providers are only eligible for a site stipend, not an individual stipend.

* All Family Child Care Providers must fill out an application every year.

*Stipend amounts will be determined annually, based on funding availability. The timeline for stipend payments will be June 2026 unless an agreement is reached between both parties to release the funds earlier.

****Application Deadline: October 31, 2026**

**If you have assistants, direct them to the Individual Stipend Application*

Requirements

You will be contacted to schedule a Quality Counts/Improvement Plan meeting.

1. The center must work with a Quality Counts representative and agree on specific site-wide quality improvement activities over the year based on the most current rating outcomes.
2. Completion of the Quality Improvement Plan

You may use any combination of the following professional development to earn the maximum stipend:

*Complete the ASQ-SE2 or ASQ-3 one time and attend a short follow-up meeting with a Quality Counts representative. : **\$100**

*Complete the ASQs twice (4-6mos. apart)and earn an additional: **\$100.**

*Early Childhood College Units:

1 unit: **\$200**, 2 units: **\$350**, or complete 3 units for **\$500** (\$500 max)

*Official Teaching Pyramid training with coaching earns the max stipend of **\$750.**

*Professional Development such as :

General Teaching Pyramid coaching, Online Coaching Companion Cycles, attending workshops (certificate or reflection required) or attending web-based training (certificate or reflection required) (**\$25/hour**)

The maximum stipend for any combination of the above options is **\$750.**

*You are responsible for uploading professional development hours, certificates/or reflections into the Hubbe data system.

Timeline: All required PD hours must be completed between July 1, 2026, and May 15, 2027

Reporting

In March 2027, a QC representative will send a Hubbe/CDF Wizard email asking demographic questions about your classroom, teacher names, and children served.

LINK TO ECE WEBSITES:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JKuUY5OWxcU2dXY4gPWdbWx_soyhhyXyoV16atbySMI/edit?usp=s_haring

LINK TO COACHING COMPANION VIDEO:

[Teacher Webinar](#)

LINKS TO ASQ ONLINE:

[ASQ ONLINE](#)

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[SEED PADLET](#)

Regarding Stipends and taxation: If you receive \$600 or more in a stipend, the County of Tuolumne must report this as income to the Internal Revenue Service, using the information provided on your W-9. This occurs during a calendar year. Earning a stipend of \$500 will not trigger this reporting, unless you have earned other independent income from the County of Tuolumne.

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