

26/27 Quality Counts Site Stipend

Family Support Sites

Who is Eligible

Directors of Family Support Sites such as ATCAA Home Visiting, Raising Healthy Families, TCSOS Early Start, Tuolumne County Libraries

New sites that are willing to meet the requirements

Serve children ages 0-5 years and/or their parents

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**, not an individual stipend. Staff at the site may apply for an Individual Stipend.

* All Directors must fill out an application every year to be eligible.

*Stipend amounts will be determined annually, based on funding availability. The timeline for stipend payments will be June 2027 unless an agreement is reached between both parties to release the funds earlier.

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

Requirements

Site administrators must meet with a Quality Counts representative and agree on a Quality Improvement Plan. The Quality Improvement Plan with a focus on 2 of the following 3 areas:

Family engagement;

Adult-child interaction (teacher-child; parent-child);

Developmental screening or assessment

Demonstrate Family Engagement:

Stipends can be used to support family engagement through training, materials, strengthening capacity in evidence-based or evidence-informed practices and strategies, such as the 5 Protective Factors, CSEFEL Teaching Pyramid, HOVRS, Screening/Assessment tools, Trauma Informed Practice, Nurturing Parenting, Equity, etc.

Sites must complete a combined total of at least 12 hours of professional development to earn the maximum stipend. Hours completed as a staff can include staff training, webinars, conferences, staff training/coaching on the Teaching Pyramid framework, or Coaching Companion online cycles as a team. You must show proof of attendance if your team attends trainings, webinars or conferences. Hours earned as a staff for the site stipend can not be used towards an individual 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 (4-6 months apart)and earn an additional: **\$100.**

*Official Teaching Pyramid training with coaching: **\$500.**

The maximum stipend for any combination of the above options is **\$500.**

Timeline: All required 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 children served. Please keep a record of the 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](#)

SUPPORTING EARLY EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT (SEED) ECE ONLINE BULLETIN BOARD- Beth Barnett
[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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