



Reading, Print, & Quality Time

Print is all around you! Print awareness is a child's earliest introduction to literacy. Children with print awareness understand that print has different functions depending on the context in which it appears.

For example, menus list food choices, a book tells a story, a license plate tells police the owner of a car, a sign can announce a favorite restaurant or warn of danger, newspapers give information, etc.

Use trips to the store, rides in the car/on bus, when waiting in line at a store, etc. as opportunities to talk with your child about print.

Encouraging Early Learners Today

2019—Quarter 1



Benefits of Reading To Children

- * Develops stronger vocabulary
- * Improves reading comprehension
- * Builds their focus
- * Helps develop communication skills
- * Builds imagination
- * Deepens family connections
- * Fosters a love of reading



There is no app to replace your lap!

Create New Bonds

A few moments of quality time spent reading to children helps build an emotional connection.

Teaches The Basics

Reading exposes children to letters, sounds, and print that will support success in school.

Helps Improve Sleep

A bedtime story can calm their minds and bodies, preparing them for a good night's sleep.

Improves Communication Skills

Reading builds vocabulary and provides opportunities for conversations.



"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child." - Dr. Seuss

Parent Policies - Protect Your Child Care Services

If you receive Child Care Subsidies, you are **REQUIRED** to report any household changes that might effect your eligibility within **14 calendar days**.

Changes to Report—A few examples:

1. Updated contact information including physical or mailing address, phone number, or emergency contact.
2. Change in household composition or size (increase or decrease).

It is better to ask if a change affects your eligibility, than to find out later!

Contact Us:

(979) 595-2801
ext. 2105

Or Email:

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3. Job changes, temporary or permanent, including a pay raise, bonus, an increase or decrease in hours, and more.
4. Any other change in your life which could affect your eligibility.

Remember! If you do not notify us of changes that make you ineligible for services, you will be responsible for paying back all child care payments made during that time.

Equal opportunity employer/program.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-impaired customers may contact: Relay Texas (800) 735-2989 (TTY) or 711 (Voice).



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Texas Rising Star Program - Quality Child Care Matters



The Texas Rising Star program is voluntary and assists providers who strive to provide a higher level of quality care for the children they serve by giving them access to mentoring and professional development resources designed to assist them in improving the quality of early childhood environments. For a list of local Texas Rising Star Providers, visit our website: bvjobs.org/programs/childcare/

If you are a center and not already participating in Texas Rising Star, please contact us! If you are a parent and are curious if your child's center is working towards becoming a Texas Rising Star provider, please ask them.

Current Texas Rising Star Providers

LICENSE #	PROVIDER NAME	CITY	COUNTY	PHONE #
192770	A&M United Methodist Weekday School	College Station	Brazos	979-846-1762
1346468	AlphaBEST Bowen Elementary	Bryan	Brazos	979-219-1443
1348586	AlphaBEST Crockett Elementary	Bryan	Brazos	979-219-0042
1348587	AlphaBEST Fannin Elementary	Bryan	Brazos	979-219-0016
1348686	AlphaBEST Houston Elementary	Bryan	Brazos	979-219-9332
1346467	AlphaBEST Johnson Elementary	Bryan	Brazos	979-224-4841
1348566	AlphaBEST Mitchell Elementary	Bryan	Brazos	979-436-2599
539064	Becky Gates Children's Center	College Station	Brazos	979-458-5437
1003446	Big Top Learning Center	Bryan	Brazos	979-779-8778
1678172	Brazos Valley Kidz Academy	Bryan	Brazos	979-779-5439
1019286	Bullfrogs and Butterflies Child Care	College Station	Brazos	979-703-7979
510103	Christ Lutheran Day School	Brenham	Washington	979-277-9008
1512968	Covenant Presbyterian Children's Center	College Station	Brazos	979-694-7700
1548271	Cuddly Care Daycare / Monique Berringer	Bryan	Brazos	504-473-6587
879106	Dragon Fly Learning Center	Franklin	Robertson	979-828-1810
826929	First Step Learning Center	Hearne	Robertson	979-280-5588
189139	Kinder Care 839	College Station	Brazos	979-693-9900
189140	Kinder Care 841	Bryan	Brazos	979-846-1037
189144	Kinder Care 843	College Station	Brazos	979-696-9062
156364	Methodist Weekday Child Development Center	Brenham	Washington	979-830-8661
863842	New Beginnings Christian CD Home	Bryan	Brazos	979-703-8503
879038	Rising Star Learning Center	Bryan	Brazos	979-776-3879

Provider Policies - Parent Share of Cost & Difference in Cost of Care

CCS Customers are required to utilize the Child Care Automated Attendance (CCAA) system to record their child's daily attendance. As a CCS Contracted Provider, it is your responsibility to review the CCAA system attendance and absence report **every three days!**

Reviewing CCAA Activity

- ◇ [CCAA Texas Provider Portal](#)
- ◇ Review CCAA data **every three days**
- ◇ Look for any "Z" - The red Z indicates that the parent failed to swipe

CCS Provider Specialist

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Who Should I Call With Issues?:

- ◇ CCAA device issues and troubleshooting, call: 866-320-8720.
- ◇ Questions regarding attendance can be answered by your Provider Specialist.

One Swipe Per Day!: The system only requires parent to use the CHECK-IN function for each child once per day!

For more information on what you should and should not be charging CCS parents, please read the [Provider Handbook!](#)