

CCS Texas Rising Star (TRS) Program



What is a CCS Texas Rising Star (TRS)?

The Texas Rising Star program is "a voluntary, quality-based child care rating system of child care providers participating in the Texas Workforce Commission's subsidized child care program." TRS Certification is available to Licensed Center and Licensed and Registered Child Care Home providers who meet the certification criteria. The TRS Provider certification system offers three levels of certification (Two-Star, Three-Star, and Four-Star) to encourage providers to attain progressively higher certification requirements leading to a Four-Star level.

What is required to become a Texas Rising Star (TRS)?

A child care provider is eligible to apply for TRS certification if the provider has a current agreement to serve Commission-subsidized children and the provider:

- has a permanent (non-expiring) license or registration from DFPS;
- has at least 12 months of licensing history with DFPS; and is not on:
- corrective action with a Board pursuant to Subchapter F of this chapter;
- a "Notice of Freeze" with the Commission pursuant to Chapter 213 of the Texas Labor Code (Enforcement of Texas Unemployment Compensation Act) or Chapter 61 of the Texas Labor Code (Payment of Wages); or
- corrective or adverse action with DFPS; or
- is regulated by and in good standing with the US Military.

How do I become a Texas Rising Star?

Become a TRS Provider by completing:

1. TRS orientation
2. TRS Application Interest Form
3. TRS Self-Assessment Tools
 - Classroom Self-Assessment
 - Facility Self-Assessment
4. TRS Application, Licensing Screening, and Document Checklists
5. Final submission of application

What are the benefits of being a Star Provider:

- You may be eligible to receive a higher CCS reimbursement rate.
- You may designate a total of 6 provider choice holidays
- Consultation is available from a TRS mentor to achieve quality and maintain your Star requirements.
- Monitoring visits will be conducted through-out the certification period.

For More Information, visit Texas Rising Star Website:

<https://www.texasrisingstar.org>