



— SAN DIEGO —
QUALITY
PRESCHOOL INITIATIVE

QPI Supports Critical Elements of Quality Early Learning Like:

- Understanding Child Development
- Effective Adult-Child Interactions
- Quality Learning Environments
- Healthy Eating and Physical Activity
- Supporting Social-Emotional Development
- Family Engagement and Strengthening
- Serving Dual-Language Learners
- And MORE!



You are the key to quality early learning, and we are here to help!

As an early learning professional you support children to reach their fullest potential, strengthen families, and enable parents to work and thrive. The environment you create for children, the way you interact with them, the knowledge you bring to your work, and the tools and strategies you use every day make a big difference for the families you serve. As you support children and families, the Quality Preschool Initiative (QPI) is here to support you.

Quality Early Learning is the Foundation for Lifelong Success

Research shows that high quality early childhood programs can deliver a 13% per year return on investment. This is because children in these programs get a stronger start in life and have better outcomes in education, health, social behaviors, and employment. Ninety percent of a child's brain develops by age five, and early experiences build the foundation for lifelong learning.

Take the Quality Journey with Us

YMCA Childcare Resource Service (YMCA CRS) and the San Diego County Office of Education (SDCOE) have teamed up to create a QPI Quality Journey to help you integrate key quality practices into your work, in alignment with guidance from the California Department of Education and Quality Counts California.

Contact Us to Join a No-Cost Orientation:

CRSqualitysupport@ymca.org or
SDQPI@sdcoe.net

www.sdqpi.org

SUPPORTS FOR YOUR QUALITY JOURNEY

No-Cost Quality Journey Orientation: Learn more about the elements of quality and opportunities to improve in areas that matter most to you and the families you serve.

No-Cost Initial One-on-One Consultation: After you've completed an orientation, receive a personal consultation to help you plan quality improvement steps that work for you.

Low-Cost Professional Development Workshops: Check out www.sdqpi.org for information and links to register for low-cost workshops on all of the key elements of quality.

On-Site Technical Assistance: As you implement new strategies, specialists from YMCA CRS or SDCOE can come to your program to help you develop or strengthen processes and apply new knowledge.

Coaching: YMCA CRS and SDCOE coaches can also provide longer-term, relationship-based support focused on setting and achieving goals over time, similar to a sports coach or physical trainer.

Observations & Assessments: Coaches can conduct program observations using official assessment tools to help you identify strengths and opportunities for improvement, and assessors can provide official assessments using the Environment Rating Scales, Classroom Assessment Scoring System, and more.

Ratings: When you're ready, we encourage you to earn an official San Diego Quality Preschool Initiative rating from SDCOE to communicate your quality!

About Quality Ratings

The San Diego Quality Preschool Initiative is San Diego County's local implementation of Quality Counts California, California's early learning quality rating and improvement system. Learn more about the state's efforts at qualitycountscalifornia.net, and see the full local rating matrix and more Information about quality elements at www.sdqpi.org.

Learn More

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