

Approved Curricula

This document provides a definition of “curriculum”, for purposes of the Parent Aware Rating Tool and a list of approved curricula.

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Curriculum is a set of written materials that describe a particular approach to providing learning experiences for children, including all of the following:

- the theoretical, philosophical and/or research basis of the approach to nurturing and educating young children
- the goals and objectives for children’s learning and development, including the skills and knowledge the curriculum seeks to foster
- the experiences that children will have to facilitate their progress toward the goals and objectives (including specification of features of the physical environment, scheduling, specific learning activities, and adult-child interactions)
- the process through which adults will plan and carry out learning experiences to facilitate children’s progress toward the goals and objectives

List of approved curricula

- Creative Curriculum
- High/Scope
- Program for Infant/Toddler Care (PITC)
- Opening the World of Learning (OWL)
- High Reach
- Core Knowledge
- Montessori
- Everyday Mathematics
- Project Early Kindergarten (PEK) curriculum for family child care
- Project Early Kindergarten (PEK) bundle of curricula for centers (includes PEK manual, Everyday Mathematics and Doors to Discovery)

If you are interested in nominating a curriculum to be added to this list of approved curricula, please complete a Curriculum Nomination Form. To learn more about the criteria and process used to review curricula for approval, see the Curriculum Review Process Summary.