

APPLICATION FOR TEXAS RISING STAR PROVIDER CERTIFICATION

Texas Rising Star (TRS) Provider certification is voluntary and recognizes enrolled child care providers who exceed minimum licensing standards and who meet certain additional criteria. All child care providers that have agreements with a Board's child care contractor are eligible to apply for assessment and certification.

Initial Application Recertification Application

TRS Provider Name: _____ DFPS Licensing #: _____

Site Address: _____

Facility Phone: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Owner: _____

Director: _____

TYPE OF FACILITY	TYPE OF NATIONAL ACCREDITATION (if applicable)
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Center (all ages)
<input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Child Care Home
<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Child Care Home
<input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Center (school-age only) | <input type="checkbox"/> National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
<input type="checkbox"/> Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)
<input type="checkbox"/> National Early Childhood Program Accreditation (NECPA)
<input type="checkbox"/> National Association of Family Child Care (NAFCC)
<input type="checkbox"/> Commission on Accreditation - National AfterSchool Association
<input type="checkbox"/> National Accreditation Commission for Early Child Care and Education Program (NAC) |
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REGULATING ENTITY (check one):

- State of Texas (DFPS)
 U.S. Military

The Texas Rising Star (TRS) Certification Guidelines contain prerequisites that must be met in order for a child care provider to be assessed (see the Facility Self-Assessment, Classroom Self-Assessment, and Document Checklists). The contracted child care provider's signature below is assurance that these requirements are fully met and the assessment/certification process may be initiated. (Nationally accredited child care providers or child care providers regulated by the U.S military do not undergo an Initial Certification Assessment; however, they must submit the TRS Application, TRS Self-Assessment, and the Licensing Screening Form).

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

- (1) has a permanent (nonexpiring) license or registration from DFPS;
- (2) has at least 12 months of licensing history with DFPS; and is not on:
 - corrective action with a Board pursuant to Subchapter F of chapter 809 of the Texas Administrative Code;
 - 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
- (3) is regulated by and in good standing with the US Military.
- (4) viewed the TRS provider orientation video.

A child care provider is also subject to DFPS Licensing Requirements as outlined in the TRS Certification Guidelines and the Licensing Screening forms. The provider must complete the Licensing Screening form as an attestation of eligibility.

By signing below, I attest that I understand and meet the eligibility and application requirements listed above.

DFPS License Number: _____

Name/Title of person authorized to contract for facility: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____