Child Care Quality System
Framework for Family Child Care • Effective 3/21/22

DOMAIN 1: HEALTH AND SAFETY

Licensing Compliance	SELECT ONE:	AVAILABLE POINTS
	0 public rule violations	16
	1 public rule violations	11
	2 public rule violations	6
	3 or more public rule violations	0
LICENSING COMPLIANCE — SUBTOTAL POINTS:		**16**
Health and Safety Program Participation	SELECT ALL THAT APPLY: (max 8 points)	POINTS
	TOP Star: Level 3 or higher OR	5
	TOP Star: Level 2 OR	4
	TOP Star: Level 1	2
	Healthier CACFP: Highest honors in 3 or more categories, OR	5
	Healthier CACFP: High honors or highest honors in 3 or more categories, OR	4
	Healthier CACFP: Honors, high honors or highest honors in 3 or more categories	2
	Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom	1.5
	Eco-Healthy Child Care Environment	1.5
HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAM PARTICIPATION — SUBTOTAL POINTS:		**8**
HEALTH AND SAFETY TOTAL POINTS:		**24**

DOMAIN 2: LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND RELATIONSHIPS

Ratios and Group Size	SELECT ALL THAT APPLY:	POINTS
	Ratios	6
	Group size	6
RATIOS AND GROUP SIZE — SUBTOTAL POINTS:		**12**
Observations	SELECT ALL THAT APPLY:	POINTS
	Overall Observation (average all FCCERS-3 scores and multiply by 3)	Maximum 20
	Minimum score of 4 on each Language/Books subscale	5
	Minimum score of 4 on each Interactions subscale	5
OBSERVATIONS— SUBTOTAL POINTS:		**30**

DOMAIN 2: LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND RELATIONSHIPS CONTINUED	SELECT ALL THAT APPLY:		AVAILABLE POINTS
Family Engagement	Family Conferences	2 points annually OR 4 points 2x a year	2 or 4
	Developmental Screenings	2 points for ASQ or 1 point for other tool	1 or 2
	Connecting to Services		1
	Activities for Families	1 point 2x year or 2 points 4x year	1 or 2
	Communication on Child		1
	Communication on Program		2
	Parent Feedback	1 point annually or 2 points 2x year	1 or 2
	Information on Transitions		1
	Supporting English Learners		1
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT — SUBTOTAL POINTS:			**16**
LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND RELATIONSHIPS TOTAL POINTS:			**58**

DOMAIN 3: LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Education Primary Caregiver	SELECT POINTS ONLY WITHIN ONE OPTION:		AVAILABLE POINTS
	Option 1 (maximum possible points: 56)	Career Ladder (CL) Level 10 or higher	40
		20 hours of Career Ladder approved annual training	12
		5+ years of verifiable experience	4
	Option 2 (maximum possible points: 46)	Career Ladder Level 9	30
		20 hours of Career Ladder approved annual training	12
		5+ years of verifiable experience	4
	Option 3 (maximum possible points: 36)	CL Level 8 w/current demonstrated competency, OR	15
		CL Level 4-7 w/current demonstrated competency	12
		Verified college credit hour in field	1 Point/hour
		20 hours of Career Ladder approved annual training	12
		5+ years of verifiable experience	4
EDUCATION OF PRIMARY CAREGIVER — SUBTOTAL POINTS:			**56**
LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TOTAL POINTS:			**56**

DOMAIN 4: MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

	SELECT ONE:	AVAILABLE POINTS
Administrator responsible for business operations	Bachelor's degree or higher with 9 credit hours in finance, business and/or program administration	4
	Associate degree or higher with 6 credit hours in finance, business and/or program administration	3
	Current Aim4Excellence Director's Credential	3
	Current National Administrator's Credential (NAC)	2
	SELECT IF APPLICABLE:	**POINTS**
	10 hours of Career Ladder approved annual training in the area of business or leadership	4
	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION TOTAL POINTS:	**8**

DOMAIN 5: NATIONAL ACCREDITATION

	SELECT ONE:	AVAILABLE POINTS
National Accreditation	National Association for Family Child Care	16
	NATIONAL ACCREDITATION TOTAL POINTS:	**16**

GRAND TOTAL SCORE

ADD ALL POINTS FROM EACH DOMAIN:	POINTS
1. Health and Safety	24
2. Learning Environments and Relationships	58
3. Leadership and Professional Development	56
4. Management and Administration	8
5. National Accreditation	16
GRAND TOTAL SCORE:	**162**

USE THE QUALITY RATING CHECKLIST TO DETERMINE THE QUALITY RATING. REMEMBER, ALL BOXES MUST BE CHECKED TO QUALIFY.

WORKFORCE SERVICES CHILD CARE

RATING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

All minimum requirements must be met for a program to qualify for a rating

1. Foundation of Quality

The program is fully licensed by the Utah Dept. of Health Child Care Licensing Program, which enforces foundational health and safety standards in child care facilities.

FOUNDATION OF QUALITY

- ☐ License in good standing

2. Building Quality

The program is implementing practices that can lead to high quality including participating in observations and may also include additional technical assistance, professional development and coaching for program staff.

BUILDING QUALITY

- ☐ License in good standing
- ☐ Minimum 48 total points
- ☐ At least 10 points on the Observation component

3. High Quality

The program creates an environment that supports good outcomes for children. Observed interactions are educational and built on positive relationships. The program continues to support high-quality care through ongoing professional development of staff.

HIGH QUALITY

- ☐ License in good standing
- ☐ No civil money penalties assessed
- ☐ Minimum 88 total points
- ☐ Licensing Compliance: At least 5 points
- ☐ Education of Primary Caregiver: At least 5 points
- ☐ At least 21 points on the Observation component
- ☐ ERS Score of 3.67 or higher in each observation
- ☐ Scored at least a 4 for Language and Books subscale for each ERS observation
- ☐ Scored at least a 4 for Interactions subscale for each ERS observation

4. High Quality Plus

The program is shown to continually go beyond the required standards for high quality.

HIGH QUALITY PLUS

- ☐ License in good standing
- ☐ No civil money penalties assessed
- ☐ Minimum 128 total points
- ☐ Licensing Compliance: At least 10 points
- ☐ Education of Primary Caregiver: At least 10 points
- ☐ At least 25 points on the Observation component
- ☐ ERS Score of 3.67 or higher in each observation
- ☐ Scored at least a 4 for Language and Books subscale for each ERS observation
- ☐ Scored at least a 4 for Interactions subscale for each ERS observation