

WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS
GREATER DALLAS

Policy Number: S0208, change 5	RE: Texas Administrative Code 809.20, WD 13-15
Date Issued: 10/16/15	Effective Date: 09/01/15

Provider Reimbursement Rates

Background

According to Texas Administrative Code, Title 40 Part 20 Chapter 809 and Texas Government Code §2308.315, Boards must establish reimbursement rates for purchased child care to ensure that the rates provide equal access to child care services in the local market and in a manner consistent with state and federal statutes as well as regulations governing child care. This policy has been revised to include language from TAC 809.93 and WD letter 13-15. The policy includes the rate increases for Texas Rising Star (TRS) 2-star, 3-star, and 4-star providers.

Policy

Child care providers will be reimbursed at the Board's maximum rate or the provider's published rate, whichever is lower. The same maximum rates will apply to all regulated providers with or without signed Memorandum of Understanding for each category of care.

In accordance with Chapter 809, the Board has established enhanced reimbursement rates:

- (1) For all age groups at child care providers that obtain TRS provider criteria pursuant to Texas Government Code §2308.315;
- (2) Only for preschool-age children at child care providers that obtain school readiness certification pursuant to Texas Education Code §29.161;
- (3) Only for preschool-age children at child care providers that participate in integrated school readiness models pursuant to Texas Education Code §29.160.

Child care contractor shall ensure that providers are reimbursed for additional staff or equipment needed to assist care of a child with disabilities in accordance with board policy #S0809.

In accordance with §809.93, child care contractor shall not reimburse providers that are debarred from other state or federal program unless and until the debarment is removed.

	Infant Full		Infant Part		Blended		Toddler Full		Toddler Part		Blended		Preschool Full		Preschool Part		Blended		School-age Full		School-age Part		Blended			
Licensed Center																										
Current Regular Rate	\$ 26.15	\$ 22.07	\$ 22.07	\$ 22.67	\$ 24.00	\$ 20.53	\$ 21.04	\$ 22.00	\$ 15.96	\$ 16.84	\$ 19.57	\$ 14.98	\$ 15.65													
2-Star Current Rate*	\$ 29.00	\$ 24.48	\$ 24.48	\$ 25.20	\$ 24.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 23.10	\$ 18.59	\$ 23.54	\$ 18.91	\$ 22.41	\$ 18.29														
3-Star NEW RATE	\$ 29.52	\$ 24.92	\$ 24.92	\$ 25.68	\$ 24.41	\$ 24.41	\$ 23.98	\$ 19.23	\$ 22.80	\$ 18.59																
4-Star NEW RATE	\$ 30.05	\$ 25.36	\$ 25.36	\$ 26.16	\$ 24.82	\$ 24.82																				
Licensed Home																										
Current Regular Rate	\$ 23.00	\$ 18.75	\$ 18.75	\$ 19.37	\$ 21.00	\$ 17.30	\$ 17.84	\$ 19.85	\$ 14.76	\$ 15.50	\$ 17.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 13.59													
Level 2 Current Rate	\$ 24.15	\$ 19.69	\$ 19.69	\$ 22.05	\$ 18.17	\$ 18.17	\$ 20.85	\$ 17.71	\$ 21.25	\$ 18.01	\$ 18.19	\$ 13.91														
3-Star NEW RATE	\$ 24.61	\$ 20.07	\$ 20.07	\$ 22.47	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52	\$ 21.64	\$ 18.30																		
4-Star NEW RATE	\$ 25.07	\$ 20.44	\$ 20.44	\$ 22.89	\$ 18.86	\$ 18.86																				
Registered Home																										
Current Regular Rate	\$ 21.22	\$ 18.46	\$ 18.46	\$ 18.86	\$ 19.72	\$ 17.22	\$ 17.59	\$ 18.52	\$ 13.36	\$ 14.12	\$ 15.52	\$ 11.47	\$ 12.06													
Level 2 Current Rate	\$ 22.80	\$ 22.14	\$ 22.14	\$ 21.27	\$ 20.66	\$ 20.66	\$ 19.45	\$ 15.20	\$ 19.45	\$ 15.20	\$ 18.25	\$ 13.31														
Level 3 Current Rate	\$ 22.80	\$ 22.14	\$ 22.14	\$ 21.27	\$ 20.66	\$ 20.66	\$ 19.45	\$ 15.20	\$ 19.45	\$ 15.20	\$ 18.25	\$ 13.31														
Level 4 Current Rate	\$ 22.80	\$ 22.14	\$ 22.14	\$ 21.27	\$ 20.66	\$ 20.66	\$ 19.45	\$ 15.20	\$ 19.45	\$ 15.20	\$ 18.25	\$ 13.31														
Relative Care																										
Current Regular Rate	\$ 15.00	\$ 11.50	\$ 11.50	\$ 12.01	\$ 14.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.44	\$ 12.00	\$ 8.50	\$ 9.01	\$ 12.00	\$ 7.96	\$ 8.55													
Level 2 Current Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A													
Level 3 Current Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A													
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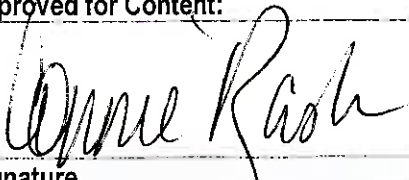
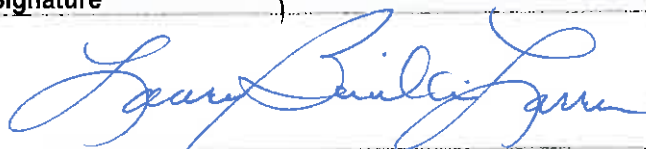
*Texas School Ready Grant Project participants fall under 2-Star maximum rates for preschool age children

Action Required

This policy must be distributed to all affected staff.

Contact

Inquiries regarding this policy should be directed to **Connie Rash, Sr. Vice President, Resource Development and Deployment at 214.290.1008.**

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