

CHILD CARE CURRICULUM INITIATIVE APPLICATION

The Louisiana Department of Education is committed to supporting teachers in publicly-funded classrooms to increase their effectiveness in providing high-quality instruction. Type III child care centers may purchase a Tier I Curriculum and be reimbursed for a portion of the cost. Please follow the steps below to receive your reimbursement.

- **Step 1** - Purchase Tier I Curriculum
- **Step 2** - Contact your [Local Resource & Referral Agency](#)
- **Step 3** - Follow up with Training and Curriculum Implementation
- **Step 4** - Train Your Teachers on Curriculum
- **Step 5** - Enter Curriculum Information into Teachings Strategies *GOLD* System

***NOTE:** If your purchase is less than \$5,000, you will receive a reimbursement of 80% of your total purchase cost (ex. total purchase is \$3,500 – you will receive a reimbursement of \$2,800). If your purchase is over \$5,000, you will receive a maximum reimbursement of \$4,000 (ex. total purchase is \$7,000 – you will receive a reimbursement of \$4,000)

Name of Child Care Center:	
Does Child Care Center serve children with disabilities? Check one: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Physical Address of Center:	
License #:	Site Code:
Mailing Address of Center (if different from physical):	
Name of Owner:	
Name of Director (if different from owner):	
Primary Contact Name & Title:	Telephone:
Resource & Referral Agency	
Total Amount of Receipt(s)	* Do not include shipping or taxes because they are not reimbursable expenses.

Please indicate the number of Tier I Curricula purchased from the list below (maximum of two curriculum kits):

Infant/Toddler (Ages 0-3)	Preschool (Ages 3-4)
<input type="checkbox"/> Frog Street (Frog Street Press)	<input type="checkbox"/> Develop, Inspire, Grow (DIG) (Abrams Learning Trends)
<input type="checkbox"/> Learn Every Day, the Program for Infants, Toddlers, and Twos (Kaplan Early Learning Co.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Frog Street (Frog Street Press)
<input type="checkbox"/> Creative Curriculum (Teaching Strategies®)	<input type="checkbox"/> Opening the World of Learning (OWL) (Pearson Education, Inc.)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Creative Curriculum (Teaching Strategies®)
	<input type="checkbox"/> We Can Early Learning Curriculum (Voyager Sopris Learning, Inc.)

Child Care Curriculum Assurances for Child Care Providers

I have demonstrated commitment to providing high quality care and instruction by purchasing and using a Tier I curriculum reviewed by the Louisiana Department of Education.

I will be reimbursed for 80% (*maximum \$4,000*) of the cost of my purchase of up to two Tier I Curricula if I agree to the following assurances:

- ✓ Purchase and use a Tier I curriculum on the list of curricula reviewed by the Louisiana Department of Education beginning July 1, 2016.
- ✓ Receive partial reimbursement for the purchase of up to two Tier I curriculum kits through the Child Care Curriculum Initiative only one time per site within a three year period.
- ✓ Complete an application for the curriculum grant with required documentation and invoice receipts, and submit to my Resource & Referral Agency prior to June 1, 2017.
- ✓ Maintain Academic Approval and remain a Type III center through June 30, 2017.
- ✓ Ensure the child care director and all lead and assistant teachers receive a general training on curriculum implementation through my local Resource & Referral agency.
- ✓ Complete an Implementation Plan for each Tier I Curriculum Kit purchased.
- ✓ Share progress and insights on curriculum use at Early Childhood Network meetings and with feeder public schools.
- ✓ Participate in any follow-up activities or reports for the state.

I understand and agree to the above requirements. I also understand that my center will receive the highest rating on its 2016-2017 Site-Level Performance Profile if a Tier I curriculum is fully implemented prior to May 31, 2017. I am aware that all documentation I submit to my Child Care Resource and Referral agency regarding the Child Care Curriculum Initiative is subject to federal and state audits.

Please Note: Failure to perform or comply with any of these assurances may lead to the repossession of your purchased Tier I Curricula

Signature of Owner: X	Date:
Signature of Director: X	Date:

OFFICE USE ONLY
Date Received: _____
Date Reviewed: _____
Date Reimbursed: _____
Amount of Reimbursement: _____

Child Care Curriculum Initiative Implementation Plan

Name of Center:	
Name of Tier I Curriculum Purchased:	
Targeted Age-Group:	
Number of Teachers Using Curriculum:	Name of Director:
License Number:	Code:

Directions: Please provide brief responses to the questions below regarding the implementation of your Tier I Curriculum. Attach additional sheets if needed. **Please note: A separate Implementation Plan must be completed for each type of curriculum purchased.**

1. When and how will you introduce the curriculum?

2. How will you and your teachers be trained on the use of the curriculum?

3. How will you provide follow up support for teachers who may need additional assistance in learning how to use the curriculum?

4. How will you use the curriculum to improve interactions and instruction?

5. How will you assist teachers in using the curriculum along with GOLD® or other state-approved assessments?

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