



FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME HELPFUL RESOURCES

Application

The ELS portal is found here: <https://arkdhs.force.com/licensing/s/login/>

If you need help accessing or completing the application in the ELS portal or other technical support related to the online application, contact your Better Beginning Specialist at DCCECE.

OEC.BetterBeginnings@ade.arkansas.gov

501.320.6161

Resources about the Better Beginnings process and requirements are available here:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1iG9nCNVlgd-9YpyCZPDNEAVcnUFK4YGK?usp=sharing>

Business Administration Scale (BAS) Program Portfolio

To learn more about the BAS go here: <https://mccormickcenter.nl.edu/library/business-administration-scale-for-family-child-care-bas/>

- BAS Portfolio cohorts are offered twice a year in the fall and spring. Go here to find cohorts: <https://tinyurl.com/BBFCHresources>
- Online tutorials are available anytime on Moodle, email BetterBeginnings@AState.edu to request access to the Moodle modules.
- Submit a TA request form at least 6 months before you plan to submit your application.

Strengthening Families

To learn more about the Strengthening Families Initiative go here: <https://engageourfamilies.com/participants/strengthening-families>

- Strengthening Families training for Level 2 can be found on PDR.
- To access the Strengthening Families *self-assessment and action plan template for Level 3 and 4, go here: <https://engageourfamilies.com/participants/strengthening-families>

*The 6-hour Strengthening Families Director's Seminar includes completion of the self-assessment and writing action plans.



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Caregiver Qualifications/ Professional Development

To learn more about required training for administrators and teaching staff see the Level 2 checklist.

- Most trainings can be found in the Professional Development Registry (PDR) at <https://pdregistry.arkansas.gov/>
- For a list of required trainings and registration information go to: <https://tinyurl.com/BBFCCResources>
- Or subscribe to the Childhood Services Newsletter here: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/Wraur4r/newslettersubscribe>

FCCERS Assessments

For more information on Environmental Assessments, go here: www.ersi.org

- For trainings on each of the ERS assessments, or other helpful trainings to support classroom quality, go here: <https://tinyurl.com/BBFCCResources>
- For self-assessments and material checklists for ITERS, ECERS, and SACERS go to: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1iG9nCNVlqd-9YpyCZPDNEAVcnUfK4YGK?usp=sharing>
- Submit a TA request form during first two years after your last assessment.

Division approved self-assessments for Child Health and Development

For more information on Go NAPSACC go to: <https://gonapsacc.org/>

- To learn more about Go NAPSACC self-assessments go to: <https://gonapsacc.org/provider-tools>
- To get started, go to <https://arkansasobesity.org/go-napsacc/> to request an account and work with a Go NAPSACC consultant.

Screenings (birth-age 5) and Portfolios (all ages enrolled)

For more information on Developmental Screenings go to Learn the Signs, Act Early at: <https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/index.html>

For help finding screening tools and trainings, contact your local:

- Child Care Aware office
- Education Service Cooperative Office <https://adedata.arkansas.gov/ARK12/coop>

To refer a child for further developmental evaluation contact:

- First Connections (birth-3) <https://www.firstconnectionsar.org/>
- Educational Cooperatives (ages 3-5) <https://adedata.arkansas.gov/ARK12/coop>