



Youth Program Quality Intervention (YPQI) Program Reviews



For Levels 2-6, Child Care Centers may choose to participate in the Youth Program Quality Initiative (YPQI) and participate in YPQI assessments for their school-age program.

The Youth Program Quality Intervention (YPQI) is a continuous quality improvement process that follows an Assess-Plan-Improve-Sustain sequence to help programs focus on and improve the quality of programming that youth experience.

The goals of YPQI are to:

- To strengthen the skill base and practices of Out-of-School (OST) personnel
- To build capacity for continuous program quality improvement into OST programs
- To increase the availability of high-quality OST programs throughout Arkansas OST Coaches and consultants are available

The Organizational Quality Assessment (OQA) is comprised of 48 items that are designed to facilitate and guide discussions on improving organizational quality and deciding priorities at the organizational level. While our Program Quality Assessments (PQAs) measure the quality of staff interactions with young people in program settings, the OQA is designed to assess policies, structures, and practices governing site-level implementation decisions.



YPQI required scores

	PQA	OQA
Level 2:	3.00	No minimum score is required
Level 3:	3.75	3.75
Level 4:	4.00	4.00
Level 5:	4.25	4.25
Level 6:	4.50	4.75

To learn more about YPQI go to:
<https://forumfyi.org/weikartcenter/ypqi/>

To learn more about YPQI assessments go to:
<https://forumfyi.org/weikartcenter/assessments/>

Email the Out-of-School Time team at A-State Childhood Services at OST@AState.edu

Child Care Centers may choose to use YPQI assessments or SACERS/PAS for their school-age program.