

Early Learning 101: Enrollment and Attendance Resources

Webinar for School Leaders and
Community Partners



Santa Clara County
Office of Education

STEPS TO
SUCCESS
Enroll. Attend. Learn.



About the Steps to Success Campaign

Key Steps to Success



Every family has **access** to information about early learning options



Every family has knowledge about the **networks** available in our community that support health, well-being, and children with disabilities



Every family is aware of community supports and services to make consistent **attendance** a possibility

Key Steps to Success



Every family feels they have education **partners** supporting their child's success



Every child has access to **high-quality, equitable** educational opportunities in a caring environment



Every child **enrolls** in quality licensed childcare, preschool, and/or transitional kindergarten so that they are fully ready for kindergarten



Resources for Families

www.enrollsantaclara.org



Childcare & Preschool Programs

Find childcare and preschool programs through the county's Childcare Resource & Referral Program

www.childcarescc.org



Head Start and State Preschool

Find information about Head Start and the California State Preschool Program

<https://sccoe.to/ELS>



School Enrollment

Enroll in preschool, transitional kindergarten (TK), and kindergarten within schools

www.sccoe.org/StepsToSuccess



Early Learning Enrollment in Santa Clara County

90% of a child's brain develops by age 5, which is why regularly attending early learning programs builds strong foundations for success in life and future careers. The [Santa Clara County Office of Education](#) has resources to help families and caregivers find and enroll their children in programs that fit their needs.

Birth-2 Years	3-5 Years	5+ Years
Infant & Toddler Programs	Preschool & TK Programs*	Kindergarten Programs**
<p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensed childcare in centers and family homes License-exempt programs Free and low-cost federal and state programs 	<p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensed childcare in family homes Licensed center-based preschool programs License-exempt programs Free and low-cost federal and state programs School-operated programs 	<p>Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School-operated programs Before and after-school licensed and license-exempt programs

Success Starts Early

A child who is enrolled and regularly attends early learning programs is...



Able to develop important cognitive, social, and emotional skills for future learning



More likely to be a proficient reader by the end of 3rd grade



More likely to go to college



More likely to have increased lifetime earnings



(see reverse)

*Transitional Kindergarten (TK) is for children who turn 5 within Sept. 2 and Dec. 2.
 **Kindergarten is for children who turn 5 on or before Sept. 1

Family Flyer

- Early learning options by age
- Benefits of enrolling and attending early learning programs
- Explanation of the difference between licensed childcare/preschool, license exempt programs, and school programs
- Contact information for the Resource & Referral Program, Inclusion Collaborative, Head Start & State Preschool, public school enrollment
- Available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean, Tagalog, Hindi, Pashto, Dari

Download the flyers:
www.enrollsantaclara.org

Child Care Resource and Referral Program

Find quality, inclusive, safe, licensed child care and preschool options in Santa Clara County. A free service in Santa Clara County.

Phone: 669-212-KIDS (5437)

Email: childcarescc@sccoe.org

Child Care Portal:

www.childcarescc.org



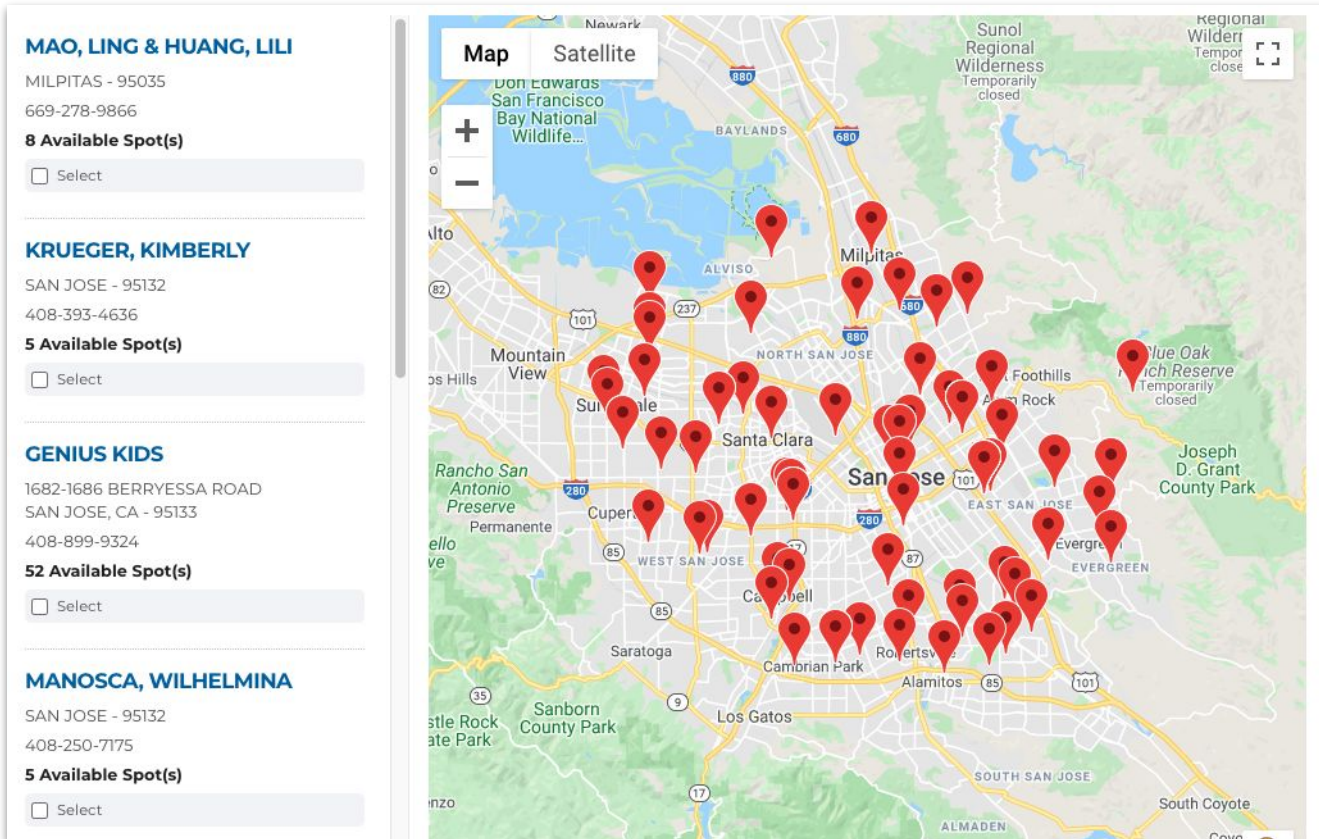
What Does the R&R Program Offer?

- Maintains a childcare referral database (Santa Clara County Childcare Portal) with the licensed childcare facilities in the county.
- Helps families find licensed childcare programs that best meets their needs through childcare referrals either online, by phone, email, or in-person (before COVID).
- Provides service referrals to families when other services/support are requested.
- Help prospective childcare providers navigate the childcare licensing process.
- Provides training and support resources for licensed providers as well as family, friend, and neighbor caregivers.

4 ways to get referrals

			
<p>Call the R&R to get a list of providers that fit your needs.</p>	<p>Email the R&R to get a list of providers that fit your needs.</p>	<p>Search the county childcare portal to get contact information about providers near you. Only those providers who want their information publicly available are shown.</p>	<p>Create an account on the county childcare portal and have the system send automated emails to providers for you. Providers will contact you with more information about their programs.</p>
<p>669-212-5437</p>	<p>childcarescc@sccoe.org</p>	<p>www.childcarescc.org</p>	<p>www.childcarescc.org</p>

Childcare Portal



MAO, LING & HUANG, LILI
MILPITAS - 95035
669-278-9866
8 Available Spot(s)
 Select

KRUEGER, KIMBERLY
SAN JOSE - 95132
408-393-4636
5 Available Spot(s)
 Select

GENIUS KIDS
1682-1686 BERRYESSA ROAD
SAN JOSE, CA - 95133
408-899-9324
52 Available Spot(s)
 Select

MANOSCA, WILHELMINA
SAN JOSE - 95132
408-250-7175
5 Available Spot(s)
 Select

The map shows a dense concentration of red location pins across the San Jose area, indicating the locations of childcare providers. Major highways like 880, 680, 101, and 280 are visible, along with various neighborhood names and parks.

Families can search the Childcare Portal to find childcare providers that meet their needs. Provider contact information is available on the map.

Families who would like to create an account to have the system contact providers for them can do so for free.

Help Paying for Childcare

Subsidized Childcare - Voucher Program

- Agencies operating these programs in Santa Clara County are:
 - **Choices for Children** at 408-297-3295 ext. 310
<https://www.cfcsc.org/contact-us/>
 - **Go Kids, Inc.** at 831-637-9205
<https://www.gokids.org/>

Subsidized Childcare - Subsidized Early Learning

- Subsidized early learning programs include:
 - Federally funded Head Start and Early Start Program
 - State-funded preschool, infant, and afterschool programs
- Over 25 agencies operate multiple Head Start and/or state-funded early learning program/sites across the county.

SCCOE Early Learning Services

The ELS Department operates the **Head Start**, **Early Head Start**, California **CSPP** and **CCTR** classroom programs for eligible families.



EARLY LEARNING SERVICES

Welcome to the Early Learning Services (ELS) Department website. The ELS Department operates the **Head Start**, **Early Head Start** & California **CSPP** & **CCTR** Classroom Programs. We share a common interest in the growth and development of children and know that we will all benefit from working and learning together.



Our Purpose

We commit to child development education, health and social services.



Application Process

We provide free programs and low-cost alternatives options to eligible families.



Learning Centers

We provide quality educational programs with part-day and full-day classroom sessions.



Health Services

Early identification of health or mental health needs is important.



Education Readiness

Learn more about our guiding principle and educational child outcomes.



Family Engagement

We value parents in our program and encourage involvement in all areas.

Phone: (408) 453-6900

Email: HSReceptionist@sccoe.org

Website:

<https://sccoe.to/ELS>

Finding Inclusive Programs



Providers who include children with disabilities in Santa Clara County

Please Note: This list is not complete and we do not recommend any one program. If you find a school to add to the list, please contact us. We hope you will find the following resources helpful.
Inclusion Collaborative Warm Line: 408-453-6651 www.inclusioncollaborative.org

Program Name	Experience with children who have disabilities	Website	Languages	Address	City	State	Zip	Contact Email	Telephone
<u>Head Start and Early Head Start</u>	yes	Website	Spanish, Vietnamese	Various locations across the county	Santa Clara County	CA			
<u>CA State Preschool</u>	Yes	Website	English	Various locations across the county	Santa Clara County	CA			
<u>YMCA Preschools</u>	Yes	Website	English	Various locations across the county	Santa Clara County	CA			408-351-6400
<u>Campbell Recreation Preschool</u>	Yes		English	1 West Campbell Avenue, C-31	Campbell	CA	95008	natashab@campbellca.gov	408-866-2771
<u>Bright Days</u>	Yes		English	1675 Winchester Boulevard	Campbell	CA	95008	brightdays@campbellunited.org	408-378-8422
<u>Creative Habitat Preschool</u>	Yes	Website	English	1190 West Latimer Avenue	Campbell	CA	95008	director@creativehabitatpreschool.com	408-374-4442
<u>Rosemary CDC Preschool</u>	Yes	Website	English	401 W. Hamilton Ave	Campbell	CA	95008	kderego@campbellusd.org	408-341-7283
<u>Bright Horizons at Cupertino</u>	Yes		English	10253 N. Portal Ave.	Cupertino	CA	95014	Leslie.Yamaki@brighthorizons.com	408-366-1963
<u>Kiddie Academy of Cupertino</u>	NO		English	19875 Stevens Creek Blvd.	Cupertino	CA	95014	axiong.kacupertino@gmail.com	
<u>KinderCare Learning Center</u>			English	1515 South De Anza Boulevard	Cupertino	CA	95014	ctrabanino@klcorp.com	
<u>EM Education.com dba Children's House of Los Altos</u>			English	1595 Kensington Circle	Los Altos	CA	94024	ella@emeducation.com	
<u>Los Altos - Mountain View Children's Corner, Inc.</u>			English	97 Hillview Avenue RM #3	Los Altos	CA	94022	childrens_corner@sbcglobal.net	



What is the Childcare Resource & Referral Program?

Find Childcare Support

The **Santa Clara County Childcare Resource & Referral (R&R) Program** helps families find resources and information as they search for childcare.

Get help with:

- Childcare referrals
- Choosing quality care
- Who to contact to get help paying for care
- Community supports and resources
- Transitions to TK-12

Childcare Portal

Search the Santa Clara County's Childcare Portal to find childcare near you.

www.childcarescc.org

- Find center-based and family home providers
- Submit a request to be contacted by multiple providers
- Save information for future childcare searches

Contact Us

Website: www.childcarescc.org
Email: childcarescc@sccoe.org
Phone #: 669-212-KIDS(5437)



R&R Flyer

- How the R&R can support families
- Link to the Childcare Portal
- Contact Information

Access the flyers:

Vietnamese: <https://sccoe.to/rrfamflyVI>

Spanish: <https://sccoe.to/rrfamflySP>

English: <https://sccoe.to/rrfamflyEN>

QUALITY CHILD CARE

CHECK LIST

Choosing who cares for your child is one of the most important decisions you'll make. This check list can help you look for quality when choosing child care.

WHY QUALITY MATTERS

Children in high quality early learning programs:

- ▶ Are better prepared for kindergarten
- ▶ Get better grades in reading and in math
- ▶ Are more likely to graduate from high school
- ▶ Get higher paying jobs

HIGH QUALITY PROGRAMS OFFER:

- ▶ Small group size
- ▶ Fun learning activities and lessons
- ▶ Ongoing training for their teachers
- ▶ Clean and warm classroom environments

If possible, make time to visit several programs to spend time watching what happens in the program and to ask lots of questions. Use this checklist to determine if a program is high-quality and if it will meet the needs of your family and child.



QUESTIONS TO ASK

- Is the program licensed by the state?
- Does the program participate in QUALITY MATTERS...a STRONG START for kids?
- What is your ratio of teachers to children and your maximum group size?
- How are activities and lessons planned?
- How long have the teachers been working with children? Do they participate in ongoing professional development such as college coursework or workshops?
- How do you measure children's development?
- How do you keep families informed about your program and their children's progress? How can parents be involved?
- How does the program deal with children with challenging behaviors?
- How do you support children with disabilities?
- Do you ever take children on outings?

THINGS TO ASK FOR

- A parent handbook
- The enrollment agreement
- Fees, days and hours of operation, menus, discipline policy, daily schedule, and other policies
- References from other parents

(CONTINUED ON REVERSE)



Quality Care Checklist

- Questions to ask a provider when searching for care
- Available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese

Access the flyers:

<https://sccoe.to/qualitycarechecklist>

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Early Learning Resource Website

- Learn about the importance of enrollment and regular attendance in early learning programs
- Understand the difference between childcare, preschool, TK, and K
- Understand program options
- Access school enrollment links
- Access health resources in the community

- Early Learning Enrollment
- Impact of Early Learning
- Attendance Matters
- What will my child learn in Preschool, TK, and K?
- Enrollment Toolkit for Families
- Where to Enroll in Early Learning
- Enrollment by District
- Early Learning Advocacy
- Safe Programs for Children and Youth

Welcome to Steps to Success!

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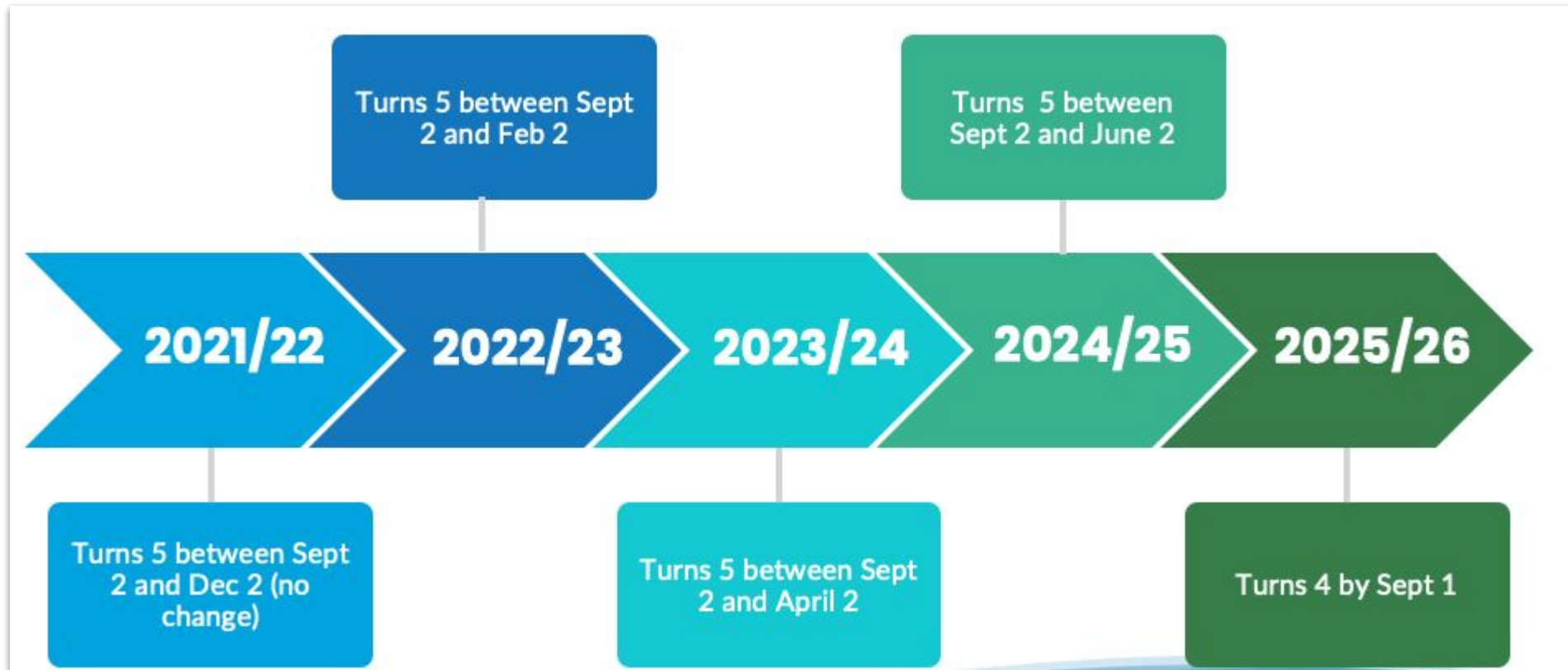
**STEPS TO
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The Santa Clara County Office of Education is excited to launch “*Steps to Success: Enroll. Attend. Learn*” — a campaign aimed at increasing enrollment and attendance in early learning programs in Santa Clara County. Across the county, districts and early learning partners are committed to empowering children and their families through safe, equitable, inclusive, high-quality early childhood programming. Together, we are working towards ensuring that every child has access to early programs that will propel them towards success in life.

Inclusion Collaborative — The Inclusion Support WarmLine offers FREE support, information and referrals for including students of all ages with disabilities and other needs in your community. For more information, contact the Warmline at WarmlineRemoteLearning@sccoe.org or by phone at 408-453-665.

Early Start Program — The Santa Clara County Early Start Program serves children with many disabilities, including developmental delays, hearing impairments, vision impairments, motor impairments, autism and multiple disabilities.

TK Expanded Eligibility




Learning Infographics

Access infographics:
<https://sccoe.to/ELinfographics>

What skills will my child develop in preschool and transitional kindergarten?


Foundations for Success

When children enter Kindergarten with the skills below, they start with a strong foundation to master kindergarten learning goals (California's Common Core State Standards). Enrollment in Preschool and TK builds an important foundation for future learning.




Social Expression

- o Eager to learn
- o Expresses empathy
- o Expresses needs and wants
- o Relates well to adults
- o Takes initiative in social interaction



Self Regulation


- o Follows directions and rules
- o Plays cooperatively
- o Participates in circle time
- o Handles frustrations well
- o Comforts self
- o Controls impulses
- o Negotiates conflict




Self Care and Motor Skills

- o Traces lines and shapes
- o Uses scissors to cut along a straight or curved line
- o Performs basic self care
- o Uses small manipulatives

Source:
California Preschool Curriculum Framework, 2010.

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LANGUAGE AND LITERACY



What are some examples of skills my child will learn in preschool, TK, and K?


READING COMPREHENSION

Preschool and TK:


- Answers questions about characters and events
- Demonstrates knowledge of text by labeling, describing, or creating artwork

Kindergartners:

- With support, compares/contrasts adventures of characters in familiar stories
- Asks and answers questions about key details in a text



WORKING WITH LETTERS AND SOUNDS




Preschool and TK:

- Matches letter names to their printed form
- Recognizes that letters have sounds

Kindergartners:

- Recognizes and names all upper- and lower-case letters of the alphabet
- Blends sounds together to read age-appropriate words
- Knows that vowels make more than one sound

WRITING




Preschool and TK:

- Adjusts grasp for better control in drawing and writing
- Writes letters or letter-like shapes to represent words and ideas

Kindergartners:

- Uses drawings and writing to tell about their opinion or to tell about events in order
- Participates in shared research and writing projects

VOCABULARY AND LANGUAGE USE



Preschool and TK:


- Understands and uses words for objects, actions, and attributes
- Uses words to describe the relationship between objects


Kindergartners:


- Determines and clarifies the meaning of unknown multiple-meaning words
- Demonstrates command of English grammar and usage when writing or speaking


*TK, transitional kindergarten with exposure to kindergarten learning goals (Common Core Standards) and foundational skills.


Early Learning Video Series


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1. What is the Santa Clara County Childcare Portal?
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¿De qué se trata el portal de cuidado infantil del condado de Santa Clara?
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Cổng thông tin Dịch vụ Giữ trẻ của Hạt Santa Clara là gì?
Santa Clara County Office of Education
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Why is early learning an important foundation for success?
Santa Clara County Office of Education
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¿Por qué la educación temprana es fundamental para el éxito?
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Tại sao giáo dục mầm non là nền tảng quan trọng của sự thành công?
Santa Clara County Office of Education
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- Videos in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese
- Find videos that answer frequently asked questions about early learning:
 - Where can I find an early learning program?
 - Why is early learning and important foundation for success?
 - How do I know if my child is ready for preschool, TK, or K?
 - What are the low cost childcare and preschool options in Santa Clara County?
 - and much more!

Inclusion Support Warmline

- The Inclusion Support WarmLine offers free individualized support for parents, teachers, and community members working with children who have disabilities and other needs.
- They offer resources for positive behavior supports, social stories, visual supports, communication strategies, and more. You can also call to learn about the Triple P Parenting Series and the SCCOE Makerspace.
- Support is offered in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Cantonese.



Contact the WarmLine

Phone: (408) 453-6651

Email: inclusionwarmline@sccoe.org



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WarmLine Flyers

For: Parents Educators

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WarmLine

(408) 453-6651
inclusionwarmline@sccoe.org
FREE support, information and referrals for including children of all ages with disabilities and other needs in your community

- Positive behavior support for parents and professionals
- Referrals to local resources, agencies, and services
- Developmental Screening for ages one month to 5 1/2 years
- Answers to questions regarding inclusive practices
- Parent and educator resources (such as visual supports, social stories)
- Resources for transitions between programs (such as elementary to middle school)
- Technical assistance and support to increase inclusive services
- Referrals to inclusive community activities

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 Offered in English and Spanish

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WarmLine

(408) 453-6651
inclusionwarmline@sccoe.org
Ayuda gratuita, información y recomendaciones con el fin de incluir en su comunidad a niños discapacitados y a otros con otro tipo de necesidades.

- Empleo de métodos dirigidos a padres y educadores (por ejemplo: ayudas visuales y cuentos)
- Recursos para ayudar con la transición entre programas (por ejemplo: de la escuela primaria a la secundaria)
- Asistencia y respaldo con la parte técnica para aumentar las familias "Prácticas de inclusión"
- Recomendaciones para la inclusión de niños en las actividades comunitarias
- Recursos disponibles para padres y educadores (por ejemplo: ayudas visuales y cuentos)
- Recursos para ayudar con la transición entre programas (por ejemplo: de la escuela primaria a la secundaria)
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Signos en Facebook y Pinterest
 (Regístrate en la lista de correo en el sitio Web!)
 Se ofrece en inglés y español

www.inclusioncollaborative.org

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WarmLine

(408) 453-6651
inclusionwarmline@sccoe.org
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- Hỗ trợ về hành vi tích cực cho phụ huynh và các nhà chuyên nghiệp
- Giới thiệu qua các tài nguyên, cơ quan và dịch vụ địa phương
- Thông tin các phát triển cho trẻ từ 1 tháng đến 5 tuổi rưỡi
- Hỗ trợ về các cách thực hành trong giáo dục hòa nhập
- Tài nguyên cho phụ huynh và nhà giáo (như những bộ tay làm thủ, truyện cổ tích)
- Tài nguyên cho việc chuyển tiếp giữa các chương trình (như từ cấp 1 lên cấp 2)
- Trợ lý kỹ thuật và hỗ trợ để gia tăng các dịch vụ giáo dục hòa nhập
- Giới thiệu sang các hoạt động trong cộng đồng giáo dục hòa nhập

Tìm tìm chúng tôi trên Facebook và Pinterest
 (Để đăng trên mạng để nhận thư của chúng tôi)
 Có thông tin tiếng Anh và tiếng Việt

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Website Recap

Central website: www.enrollsantaclara.org

Access the R&R Site: www.childcarescc.org to find childcare and preschool programs on the county's Childcare Portal. You can also find a lot of frequently asked questions about childcare.

Access the Steps to Success Site: www.sccoe.org/StepsToSuccess to find school enrollment information and general early learning resources and information

Learn about eligibility for Head Start, California State Preschool Program and CCTR Programs: <https://sccoe.to/ELS>

Find information about inclusive services for children with disabilities through the Inclusion WarmLine www.inclusioncollaborative.org



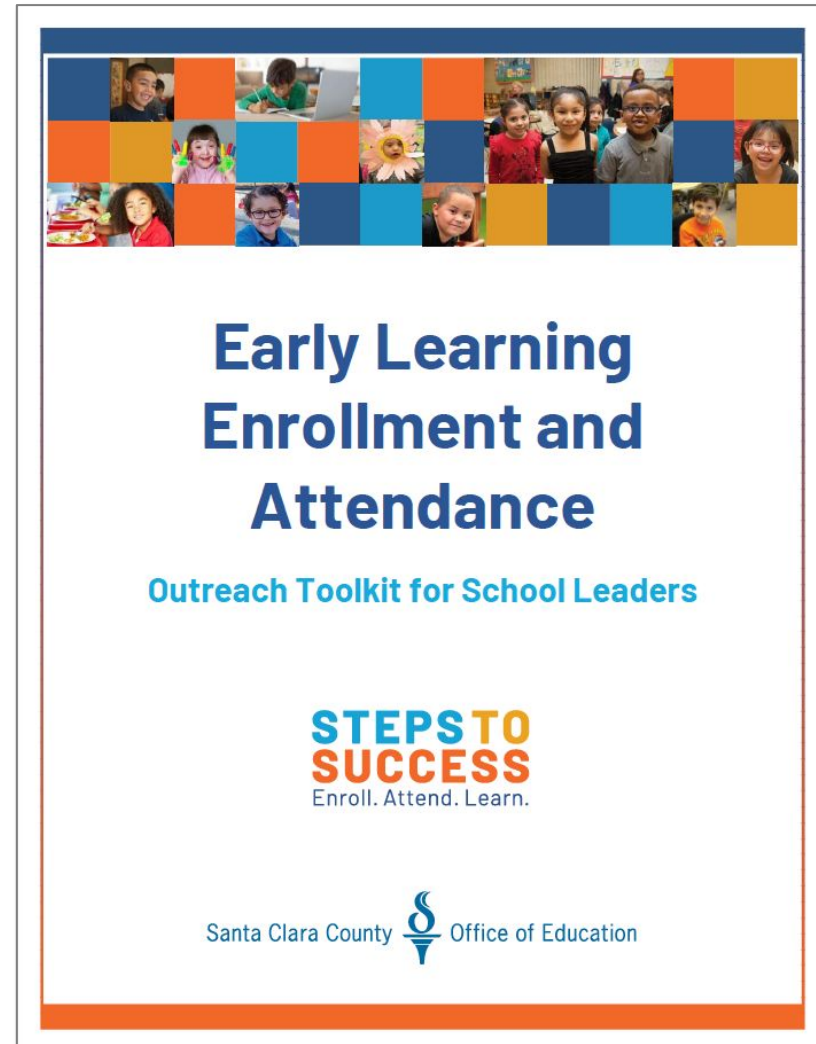
Resources for School Leaders

Outreach Resources

Download the toolkit:

www.sccoe.org/StepsToSuccess

- Outreach best practices and checklist
- Early learning talking points
- Templates for outreach letters
- Parent Ambassador Recruitment Letter
- First Day of School County Welcome Letter
- And more!



Outreach Resources

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of a child's brain development happens before age 5

90% Brain development before age 5
10% Brain development after age 5

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Social media examples and images

Enroll in Early Learning Today!

Success starts early 90% of a child's brain develops by age 5. When children enroll and regularly attend early learning programs, they build a strong foundation that creates positive long-term impacts. A child who attends early learning is...

- Able to develop important cognitive, social, and emotional skills for future learning
- More likely to be a proficient reader by the end of 3rd grade
- More likely to go to college
- More likely to have increased lifetime earnings.

Enroll in School District
Santa Clara County school districts are committed to offering safe, high-quality, inclusive, equitable learning opportunities for all children.

Online enrollment
Website URL

Additional Information

Enrollment Resources
County Early Learning Resource Website

- Find community and health resources for enrollment
- Learn about the importance of attendance and early learning
- Understand the difference between Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten

www.sccoe.org/StepsToSuccess

Child Care Resource and Referral Program

- Find high-quality, licensed child care in Santa Clara County
- Phone: 669-212-5437
- Child Care Portal: www.childcaresccoe.org
- If you are a child care provider and would like an account on the portal to receive applications from families, email ccportal@sccoe.org

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Open enrollment flyers

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Early Learning Enrollment

Enrollment in Preschool and TK provides important steps for future learning. When children enter Kindergarten with school readiness skills, they are better prepared to master Kindergarten learning goals and beyond.

Children who enter the K-12 system ready for school have an 82% chance of mastering "basic skills by age 11, compared with a 45% chance for children who are not school ready."

90% of brain development happens before the 5th birthday.

School Readiness Skills

- Motor skills development
- Social expression
- Self regulation
- Academics

Today's Attendance is Tomorrow's Success

Long term positive outcomes, such as higher graduation rates, lower dropout rates and higher rates of enrollment in college are linked to children with consistent attendance patterns (National Forum on Education Statistics, 2018). When children attend early learning programs regularly, they have a greater chance of mastering grade-level skills which become the foundation for the next grade level. A child is considered chronically absent when they miss roughly 18 days or more of school.

When children enroll in licensed child care, preschool, or transitional kindergarten, they have a much greater chance of being school ready for entry into kindergarten.

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Outreach Resources



School Tour Toolkit

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Early Learning Family
Night Toolkit

Today's Attendance is Tomorrow's Success

- Long term positive outcomes are linked to children with consistent attendance patterns.
- As education leaders, our **partnership with families creates opportunities to inform and connect them with essential services** that will positively impact their ability to get their children to school.
- These partnerships will support children through their educational career since habits of attendance are built in the early years.



Suspension and Expulsion for Early Learners

- A Yale University study conducted in 2016 revealed that preschool expulsion rates were more than three times that of expulsions for school-aged children (Gilliam, et. al).
- In a 2016 study conducted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the responses from a nationwide parent survey revealed that nearly 50,000 early learners were suspended in a year with 17,000 expulsions occurring during the same year (Meek, et. al., 2020).

Equity and Attendance



- Early learners who are students of color or who have a disability, tend to have much higher rates of school suspension and expulsion for similar behaviors to those of their White peers.
- The U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights found that “Black boys represent 19% of public preschool enrollment, but 45% of male preschool suspensions; and Black girls represent 20% of preschool enrollment, but 54% of female preschool suspensions nationally” (Malik, 2020, p. 29).

Key attendance factors

Multiple factors can positively impact classroom attendance....

Building family awareness about the importance of attendance, including an understanding of end-of-year learning goals at the beginning of the year

Relationship-building opportunities between schools and families

Helping teachers create predictable classroom routines and procedures that help reduce the likelihood of suspension and expulsion

Supporting teachers and staff with building knowledge of social-emotional, cognitive, and physical development

Ensuring student engagement

Using Culturally Responsive Teaching practices

Opportunities to engage in conversations about implicit bias

Use of social emotional and positive discipline strategies

Staff awareness of community services if parents confide needs

SCCOE Services and Resources

Classroom-Level Attendance Key Factors

Classroom culture is the sum of many key contributing factors and makes an impact on student attendance. Children who are engaged, see their culture in the classroom, are supported emotionally, have tools to communicate their needs, and trust adults, are more likely to both attend school and externalize frustrations in more constructive ways. The following key factors contain guiding questions that can be used by education leaders to identify possible next steps for professional development and resource implementation. When combined, these factors help create consistent attendance by developing positive classroom environments and decreasing student removal due to challenging behaviors.

Key factors that build classroom culture	Guiding Questions
Building relationships with students and families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Do teachers regularly communicate with families to provide classroom-related information?<input type="checkbox"/> Do teachers communicate with families to share positives in addition to areas of development for each child?<input type="checkbox"/> Are teachers regularly giving positive feedback to students during lessons?
Creating consistent and predictable classroom routines and procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Do classroom walk-throughs show evidence of consistent classroom routines and procedures?<input type="checkbox"/> Do students have sufficient opportunities to practice learning routines and procedures? Are there opportunities for whole-class reflection about behavior (both compliments and areas of development)?<input type="checkbox"/> Do classroom walk-throughs show visual schedules that create daily structures for children?<input type="checkbox"/> Do teachers explain behavior expectations and how to get needs met before children engage in each activity?

Check out the key factor checklist in the toolkit to identify services and tools you'd like to explore.

Inclusion Collaborative: Menu of Services

- **Professional learning opportunities** for administrators, teachers, para educators, parents, and community members
 - **Belonging**
 - Student Engagement
 - Social and Emotional Supports
 - Relationship Building
 - And More!
 - **Inclusion**
 - Inclusive Best Practices
 - Behavior Supports
 - Sensory Supports
 - And More!
 - **Equity**
 - Universal Design for Learning
 - Ways 2 Equity Playbook



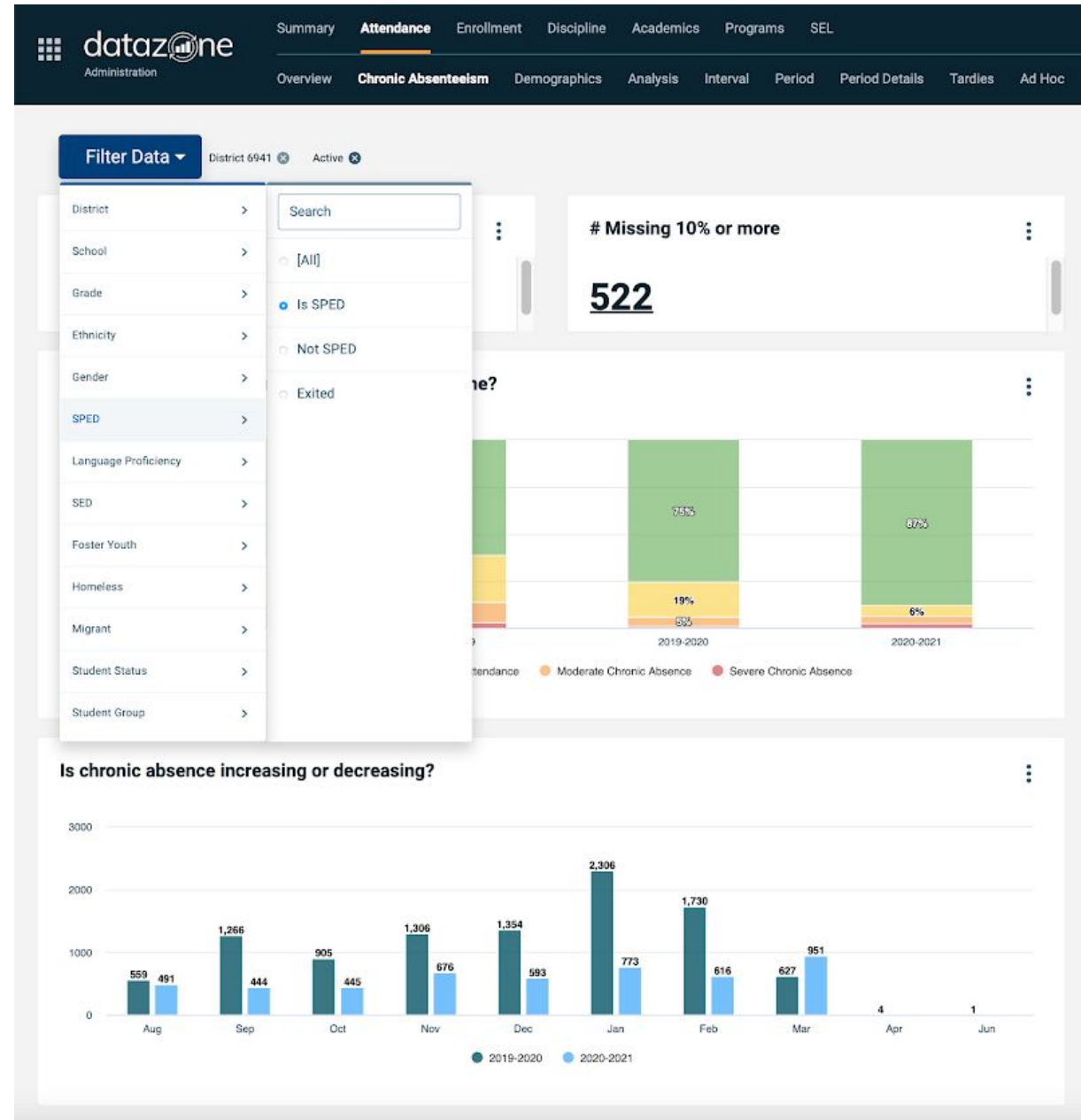
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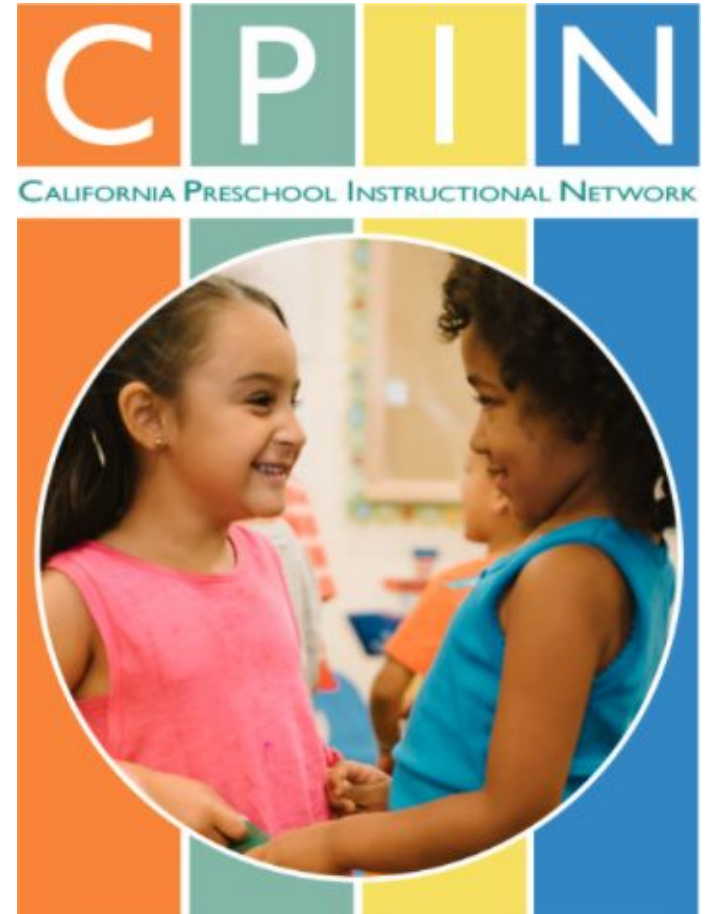
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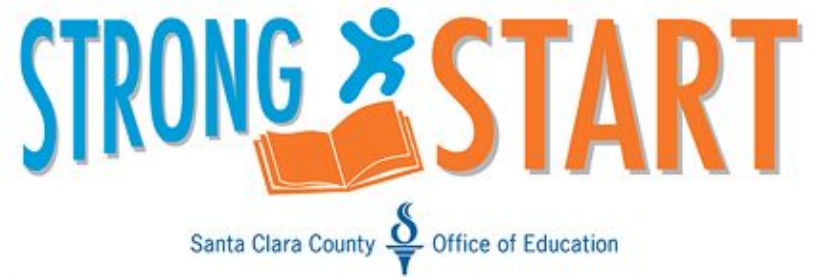
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- Professional learning opportunities for preschool, transitional kindergarten teachers and administrators
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 - Language and Literacy
 - English Language Development
 - Mathematics
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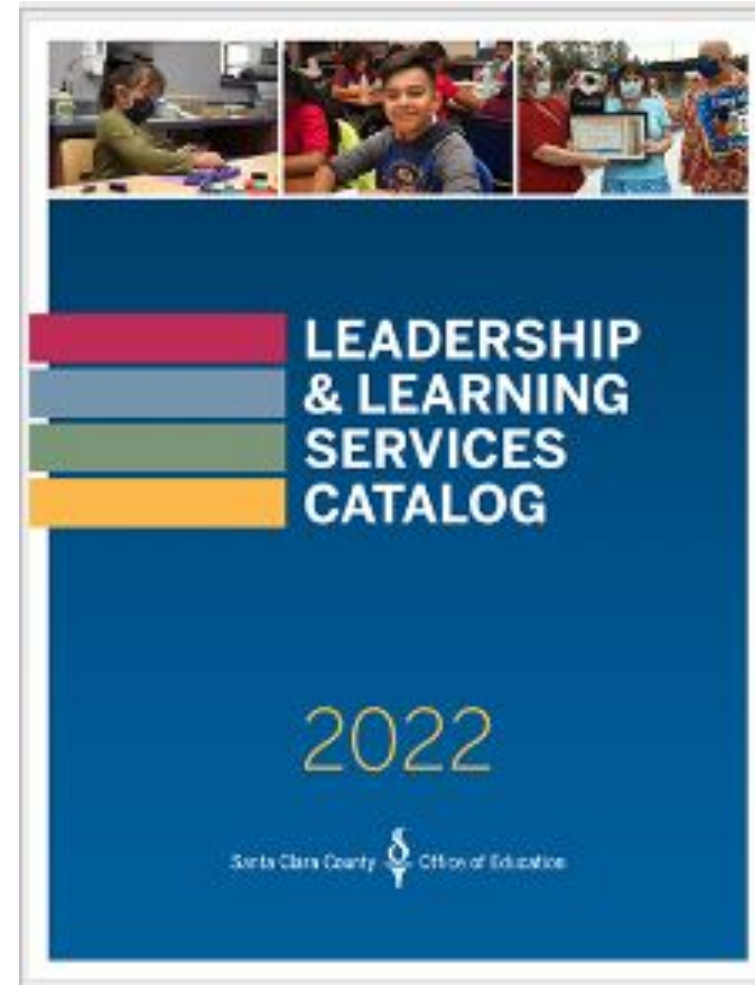
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