Early Learning 101: Enrollment and Attendance Resources

Webinar for School Leaders and Community Partners
About the Steps to Success Campaign
Key Steps to Success

1. Every family has **access** to information about early learning options.
2. Every family has knowledge about the **networks** available in our community that support health, well-being, and children with disabilities.
3. 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.
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

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<th>Call the R&amp;R to get a list of providers that fit your needs.</th>
<th>Email the R&amp;R to get a list of providers that fit your needs.</th>
<th>Search the county childcare portal to get contact information about providers near you. Only those providers who want their information publicly available are shown.</th>
<th>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.</th>
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Childcare Portal

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.

Find a provider: www.childcarescc.org
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/](https://www.cfcsc.org/contact-us/)
  - *Go Kids, Inc.* at 831-637-9205
    [https://www.gokids.org/](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.

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](http://www.inclusioncollaborative.org)

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<th>Program Name</th>
<th>Experience with children who have disabilities</th>
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<td><a href="mailto:natalie18@campbellca.gov">natalie18@campbellca.gov</a></td>
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<td>English</td>
<td>1 West Campbell Avenue, C-31</td>
<td>Campbell</td>
<td>CA</td>
<td>95008</td>
<td><a href="mailto:natalie18@campbellca.gov">natalie18@campbellca.gov</a></td>
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<td>Bright Days</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Website</td>
<td>English</td>
<td>1675 Winchester Boulevard</td>
<td>Campbell</td>
<td>CA</td>
<td>95008</td>
<td><a href="mailto:brightdays@campbellunited.org">brightdays@campbellunited.org</a></td>
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<td>English</td>
<td>1190 West Latimer Avenue</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:director@creativehabitatpreschool.com">director@creativehabitatpreschool.com</a></td>
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<td>401 W. Hamilton Ave</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:kids@campbellunited.org">kids@campbellunited.org</a></td>
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<td>10253 N. Portal Ave.</td>
<td>Cupertino</td>
<td>CA</td>
<td>95014</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Leslie.Yamak@brighthorizons.com">Leslie.Yamak@brighthorizons.com</a></td>
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<td>FM Education.com dba Children’s House of Los Altos</td>
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<td>1505 Kensington Circle</td>
<td>Los Altos</td>
<td>CA</td>
<td>94024</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ella@emeducation.com">ella@emeducation.com</a></td>
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<td>Los Altos - Mountain View Children’s Corner, Inc.</td>
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<td>97 Hillview Avenue RM #3</td>
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<td>94022</td>
<td><a href="mailto:childrens_corner@sbcglobal.net">childrens_corner@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
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Find a program: [https://sccoe.to/inclusiveprograms](https://sccoe.to/inclusiveprograms)
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 Care Checklist

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

Access the flyers: https://sccoe.to/qualitycarechecklist
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

Welcome to Steps to Success!

www.sccoe.org/StepsToSuccess
TK Expanded Eligibility

- **2021/22**: Turns 5 between Sept 2 and Dec 2 (no change)
- **2022/23**: Turns 5 between Sept 2 and April 2
- **2023/24**: Turns 5 between Sept 2 and June 2
- **2024/25**: Turns 4 by Sept 1
Learning Infographics

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

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

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


Access infographics: https://sccoe.to/ELInfographics
# Early Learning Video Series

- 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!

### Watch videos: [https://sccoe.to/earlylearningvideos](https://sccoe.to/earlylearningvideos)
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.
WarmLine Flyers

(Click on each image to access flyers)
Website Recap

Central website: [www.enrollsantaclara.org](http://www.enrollsantaclara.org)

Access the R&R Site: [www.childcarescc.org](http://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](http://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](https://sccoe.to/ELS)

Find information about inclusive services for children with disabilities through the Inclusion WarmLine [www.inclusioncollaborative.org](http://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

Social media examples and images

Open enrollment flyers
Outreach Resources

Your School Name Here

Early Learning School Tour

School Tour Toolkit + 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

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

Website: [www.inclusioncollaborative.org](http://www.inclusioncollaborative.org)
Email: Inclusion@sccoe.org
DataZone provides affordable data warehousing and analytic tools. It streamlines collaborative efforts through the use of shared governance, a shared data model, standard data definitions, and centralized data storage. With such a powerful tool, agencies and school districts are able to coordinate support services, maximize the use of key organizational performance data, create policy alignments, and guide decisions around funding priorities.

Contact Nabil Shahin if you would like to learn more about using Datazone: nshahin@sccoe.org
California Preschool Instructional Network

- Professional learning opportunities for preschool, transitional kindergarten teachers and administrators
  - Social-Emotional Development
  - Language and Literacy
  - English Language Development
  - Mathematics
  - Visual and Performing Arts
  - Health
  - History and Social Science
  - Science
  - And much more

Contact CPIN Region 5 Manager, Cynthia Fong-Wan at cfong-wan@sccoe.org
Strong Start

www.sccoe.org/strongstart

Sign up for the Strong Start newsletter!
Professional Learning Portal

The Santa Clara County Office of Education Professional Learning Portal provides a comprehensive list from various departments of all professional learning offerings and events including trainings, networks, technical assistance, special events, and conferences for teachers, administrators, coaches, support staff, parents/guardians, students and partners.

Find learning opportunities:

www.sccoe.org/pl
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