

Keystone STARS Grants & Awards FY 11-12



Keystone STARS encourages and supports programs to develop and sustain higher levels of quality in order to strengthen outcomes for children and families and to improve school readiness.

The SUPPORT GRANTS and MERIT AWARDS charts below indicate the maximum resources available, with approved expenses and submitted receipts, to qualifying programs at varying Keystone STAR levels, based on Full Time Equivalency (FTE). The top row displays resources for programs that have 5-25% FTE of children in CCW and/or EI; the bottom row displays these resources for programs that have 26% and above FTE of children in CCW and EI (the higher tier at Center 181+ has been eliminated). Children will only be counted once. Family Child Care Home facilities eligibility could also be established by being a TIER 1 Child/Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) – 135% income bracket and enrolled in CACFP administered through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The Tiered Reimbursement has been slightly reduced for FY 11-12 as a result of the conclusion of ARRA funding.

SUPPORT GRANTS							
	Family Home	All Group Homes and Center up to 6 FTE	Center 7- 12 FTE	Center 13- 45 FTE	Center 46-99 FTE	Center 100-180 FTE	Center 181+ FTE
Start with STARS – 1 X Award	\$ 315 \$ 420	\$ 435 \$ 580	\$473 \$630	\$ 945 \$ 1,260	\$ 1,890 \$ 2,520	\$ 2,835 \$ 3,780	\$ 4,725 \$ 4,725
STAR 1 – 2 X Award	\$ 450 \$ 600	\$ 630 \$ 840	\$ 709 \$ 945	\$ 1,418 \$ 1,890	\$ 2,835 \$ 3,780	\$ 4,253 \$ 5,670	\$ 7,088 \$ 7,088

MERIT AWARDS							
	Family Home	All Group Homes and Center up to 6 FTE	Center 7- 12 FTE	Center 13- 45 FTE	Center 46-99 FTE	Center 100-180 FTE	Center 181+ FTE
STAR 2 – 3X Award <i>* see below</i>	\$ 788 \$ 1,050	\$ 1,575 \$ 2,100	\$ 2,363 \$ 3,150	\$ 4,725 \$ 6,300	\$ 9,450 \$ 12,600	\$ 14,175 \$ 18,900	\$ 23,625 \$ 23,625
STAR 3 – Ongoing	\$ 1,181 \$ 1,575	\$ 2,363 \$ 3,150	\$3,544 \$4,725	\$ 7,088 \$ 9,450	\$ 14,185 \$ 18,900	\$ 21,263 \$ 28,350	\$ 35,438 \$ 35,438
STAR 4 - Ongoing	\$ 1,575 \$ 2,100	\$ 3,150 \$ 4,200	\$ 4,725 \$ 6,300	\$ 9,450 \$ 12,600	\$ 18,900 \$ 25,200	\$ 28,350 \$ 37,800	\$ 47,250 \$ 47,250

** Award 2 additional years with CQI Plan and demonstrated progress*

Education and Retention Awards FY 11-12 for highly qualified staff (prorated less than 35 hrs per week)

Education and Retention Awards				
	Director - BA in ECE	Staff - BA in ECE	Staff - AA in ECE	CDA/SA Credential
STAR 2	\$ 3,090	\$ 2,320	\$ 1,545	\$ 600
STAR 3	\$ 3,605	\$ 2,705	\$ 1,805	\$ 700
STAR 4	\$ 4,120	\$ 3,090	\$ 2,060	\$ 800

Add-On Daily Rate for children receiving Child Care Works subsidy

Child Care Works Daily Add On			
	STAR 2	STAR 3	STAR 4
Full Time	\$ 0.60	\$ 1.85	\$ 2.50
Part Time	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.85	\$ 1.15

EFFECTIVE DATE: JULY 1, 2011. This is a high level overview of the FY 11-12 financial resources associated with STARS. For more specifics about STARS standards, grants and eligibility requirements, visit www.pakeys.org – Keystone STARS. Awards are subject to change based on the final FY 2011-2012 appropriated state and federal funding levels. Amounts identified are maximum eligibility amounts and applying providers may be awarded less. All awards subject to availability of funds and are not guaranteed. Providers must be in active status and of good standing to qualify.