

Texas Workforce Commission
Texas Rising Star
Brand Guide

Texas Rising Star Logo

The new Texas Rising Star logo includes the Texas Workforce Commission seal paired with the new Texas Rising Star text and sketched star graphic.

The images can be displayed in one of three approved colors: black, blue, or white on a dark blue background. (See color palette on page 3.)

The Texas Rising Star logo may be used separate from the TWC seal on the parent brochure only.







Texas Rising Star Star-level Graphic

Comprehensive Star-level Graphic

Texas Rising Star



Four out of four star certification



Three out of four star certification



Two out of four star certification

Individual Star-level Graphics

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Three out of four star certification

Texas Rising Star



Two out of four star certification

- When representing the certification process and needing to show all star-level options, the graphic suite shown at left should be used.
- When representing the certification level of a single program, only use the version of the star-level graphic that corresponds to that program's certification.
- The star-level graphic should be displayed in full color for online/digital use. It may be printed in black and white.

Star-Level graphics can be found in the "Logo and Brand Guide" folder.

Texas Rising Star Font and Colors

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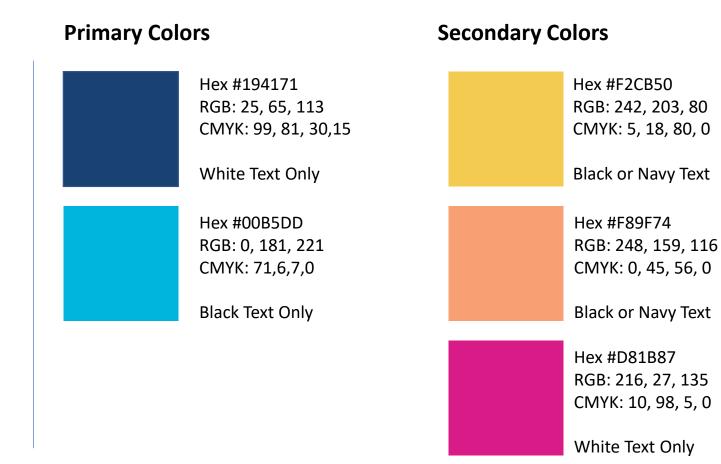
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Texas Rising Star

Body Copy:

Arial

Texas Rising Star



- Recommend pairing the dark and light blue with orange **or** yellow **or** pink as accent colors but not necessarily pairing all secondary colors together on one page of a piece to avoid creating a "rainbow". Examples are included in this brand guide.
- For accessibility compliance, text colors are noted with each color block.

Additional Elements

The next slide will provide Workforce Boards and their staff, with additional elements that can be used when creating supporting documents or visuals when presenting Texas Rising Star data.

- Supporting documents such as one-pagers, printed provider lists, or Texas Rising Star Board-funded conference materials
- Visuals such as provider posters

The additional elements are not to be used within or on the Texas Rising Star logo. For example, Boards may not substitute the blue star within the logo for a peach star or place a sketched border around the logo.

Text color combinations are listed per accessibility requirements. Please use as directed to ensure accessibility compliance.

These graphics can be found in the "Logo and Brand Guide" folder, then "Additional Branding Elements" folder.

Texas Rising Star Additional Branding Elements

Decorative Stars



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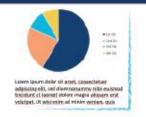
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File Preparation

Considering a print project that can't be produced with your desktop printer such as a banner, sticker, poster or large print quantity brochure? Ask your preferred vendor if templates are available. Below are graphic elements for consideration that will need to meet your vendor specifications.

Resolution: 100-300 dpi (dots per inch)

Color mode: CMYK (Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, Black)

RGB (red, green, blue)

Spot Color (Pantone Color Library, ex. PMS200 coated or uncoated)

Software: InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop

File formats: .ai, .eps, .pdf, .psd, .jpg, .tiff, .indd

Bleed: .25" to 6"

Fonts: include all fonts used in project or covert to outline fonts

Images: include all linked images used in project

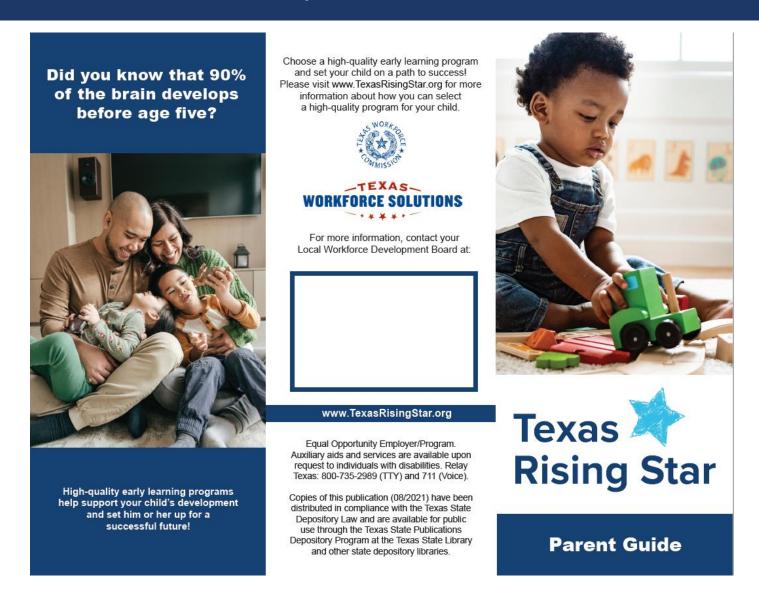
Vector: Digital shapes made of lines and curves that create an image based on a mathematical equation.

Also called paths, these lines and curves allow designers to scale images as simple as a shape or

as complex as a full-blown illustration.

For questions about toolkit usage or need assistance with document customization, contact Texas Workforce Commission, Design Services at designservices@twc.texas.gov

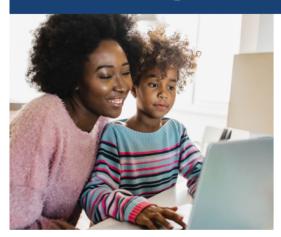
Parent Tri-fold Brochure front panel



The Parent Brochure cannot be altered except that Workforce Boards may add your Board logo and contact information in the space shown on panel six (the empty box). Files are in the "Brochures" folder.

Parent Tri-fold Brochure back panel

What is **Texas Rising Star?**



Texas Rising Star early learning programs are dedicated to quality and meet higher standards than the state's minimum child care licensing standards.

What Might a Texas Rising Star **Early Learning Program Provide?**

- · Smaller class sizes and more teachers:
- · Teachers with higher education and ongoing training;
- Positive and patient teachers;
- · Age-appropriate activities and quality curriculum:
- · Indoors and outdoors classrooms that help with learning and development.
- Support for learning at home.
- Community resources for families.

Selecting High-Quality Child Care

1. Search for child care:

Go to

https://find.childcare.texas.gov

to search for available care in your area. Texas Rising Star early learning programs are highlighted. Be sure to click on "View certificates and inspection reports" within the child care program profile to understand the star-level certification and any health or safety violations.

2. Determine your budget:

How much can you spend on child care each month? Visit your local Texas Workforce Solutions office to ask if your family qualifies for subsidized child care (financial aid).

3. Understand the types of care provided:

Child care can take place in registered or licensed homes, centers, after-school programs and during nontraditional hours.

4. Be a savvy shopper:

Once you find programs that meet your basic needs, visit them and ask for a tour. (What Might a Texas Rising Star Early Learning Program Provide?") If you've selected a Texas Rising Star early learning program, your child will be attending a higher-quality program that is dedicated to helping your child succeed.

Levels of Certification



Four out of four star certification



Three out of four star certification



Two out of four star certification

2-Star quality standards

3-Star quality standards

4-Star Meets some Meets most Meets nearly all of quality standards

If your child is currently enrolled in a program that is not Texas Rising Star certified, we can help your with the certification process. Ask your provider to visit www.TexasRisingStar.org for more details.

Provider Tri-fold Brochure front panel



An early learning program is eligible to apply for certification if:

- The program has a current agreement with their Local Workforce Development Board (Board) to serve children who qualify for child care financial assistance;
- The program has a permanent (non-expiring) license or registration from Child Care Regulation (CCR) with at least 12 months of licensing history or is regulated by and in good standing with the US military; and
- Is not on corrective action with CCR, TWC, or the Board; and
- The director has a Texas Workforce Registry account, and encourages all staff to participate as well.

If you are not currently eligible to apply, contact your Board for assistance.

Please visit www.TexasRisingStar.org for more information about how you can apply.



For more information, contact your Local Workforce Development Board at:



www.TexasRisingStar.org

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Provider Guide

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Provider Tri-fold Brochure back panel

Certification Categories

Texas Rising Star early learning programs are committed to providing high-quality child care that exceeds the state's minimum child care licensing standards in the following categories:

- 1. Director and Staff Qualifications, Orientation, and Training
- 2. Teacher-Child Interactions
 - · Group size and staff-to-child ratios
 - · Teacher interactions that support child development and social-emotional learning.
- 3. Program Administration
- · Family education and involvement
- · Program management
- 4. Indoor/Outdoor Learning Environments

Within each category, your program is scored on foundational quality standards, and you can earn additional points on other standards to increase your star level.

Levels of Certification

The Texas Rising Star star-level graphic indicates the certification level of the early learning program.



Four-Star

Earns 80% or more of points across all four categories



Three-Star Earns 60-79% of points across all four categories

Two-Star

Earns 0-59% of points across all four categories

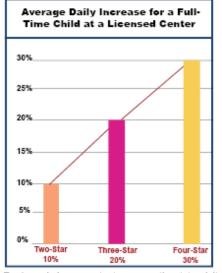
Certification **Benefits**

- · Higher child care reimbursement rate
- Professional development opportunities
- One-on-one mentoring
- Eligibility for other benefits, such as grants, stipends, materials and equipment
- · Free advertisement to parents and the community

The higher your star level, the more you are paid per child!

This can be \$1000 or more per child per year!

If you are not Texas Rising Star, this chart shows how much more you could receive per year for one toddler if you become certified at different levels.



To view reimbursement rates across the state, visit www.TexasRisingStar.org/providers/enhanced-rates/

Application Process

Early learning program administrators sometimes assume their programs cannot achieve certification because of time, staffing, or financial requirements. In some cases, these programs are already meeting or exceeding most Texas Rising Star measures!

It doesn't take much time or paperwork to get started

Trained mentors are available to help you through the certification process. The mentor can help create achievable goals and processes to ensure you are successful.

You will not be required to hire more teachers or teachers with degrees

Classroom ratios and staff qualifications are only two measures within the total scored, so their impact to the overall star level is minimal. Also, teachers working in Texas Rising Star programs are eligible for educational support such as grants, stipends, scholarships, and may receive preferred enrollment in higher-education initiatives.

It pays to be Texas Rising Star!

Check out our revenue calculator at www.texasrisingstar.org/providers/ enhanced-rates/ to see how financially beneficial being certified could be for your program.

Ready to Apply to Become Texas Rising Star Certified?

Contact your Board or visit www.TexasRisingStar.org/getting-ready for more information on applying

Certificate Templates

Certificate templates are in the "Certificates" folder.

Until certificates are auto-generated via the online Texas Rising Star assessment tool (CLI Engage), Boards will input the required information into the applicable star-level certificate for each program that has been assessed.







Outreach Materials

Boards may elect to provide Texas Rising Star-certified programs with outreach materials to showcase the star-level achieved.

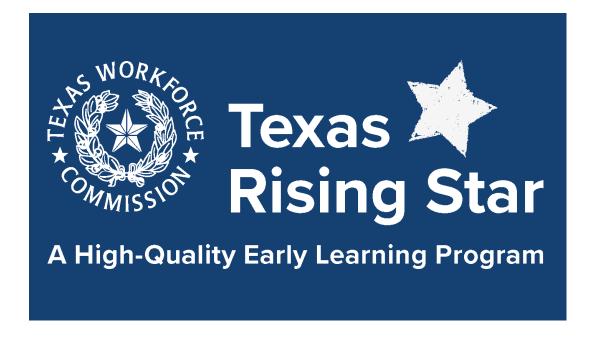
TWC has provided the Boards with the following templates:

- Window Decals
- Chevron Banners
- Banners (2' x 6')

Boards must be aware, that in the event a Texas Rising Star-certified program changes star-level certification, all materials associated with the previous star level must be rescinded and new materials provided to the program with the new applicable star-level certification.

Window Decal (4"x7")





Boards may use only the white or blue decal. Files are in the "Window Decal" folder.

Chevron Banner Templates (22"x30")









Workforce Boards may use only the white or blue banner and may use the version with or without the star-level rating.

Boards may substitute the Texas Workforce Solutions logo with their Board logo.

Files are in the folder "Banners"

Banner Templates (2'x6')



Program Name







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Program Name

Four-Star Certified Program

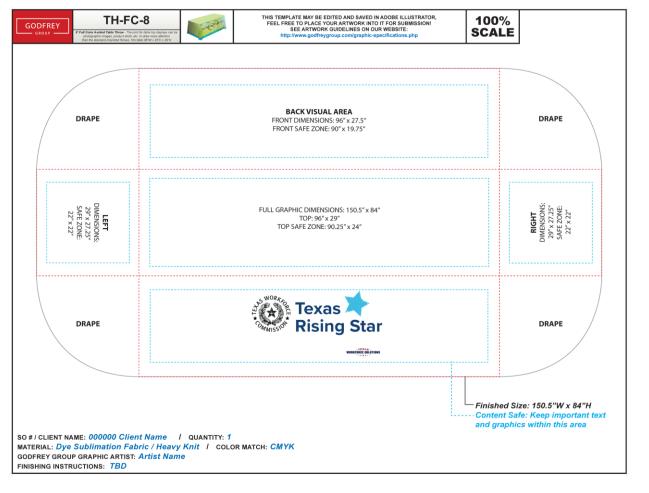


Workforce Boards may place your Board logo below the Texas Rising Star logo (bottom left side). Boards may use the white or blue banner and may use the version with or without the star-level rating.

Files are in the folder "Banner".

Tablecloth (8') and Table Runner (30"x84") Templates

Workforce Boards may use only the white material with full color logo, black material with white logo, or blue material with white logo. Workforce Boards may place your Board logo in the lower right corner or directly underneath the Texas Rising Star logo. Files are in the folder "Tablecloth and Runner".





Shirt

CCQ/CCDF funding does not cover the cost of branded shirts. However, Local Workforce Development Boards may use other funding per those allowable cost guidelines to purchase Texas Rising Star branded shirts. Shirts should include a collar and be either white, navy or black with the Texas Rising Star logo on the front left, the TWC Seal on the left sleeve, and the TWS or Board logo on the right sleeve.



Shirt graphics can be found in the folder "Shirt"

Video Call Backgrounds



PowerPoint Template

The PowerPoint Template can be customized as needed for the content being presented. This includes modified copy and the addition of Workforce Board logos. Stock photos used in a PowerPoint can be selected from the photos provided.

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Social Media Graphic Templates









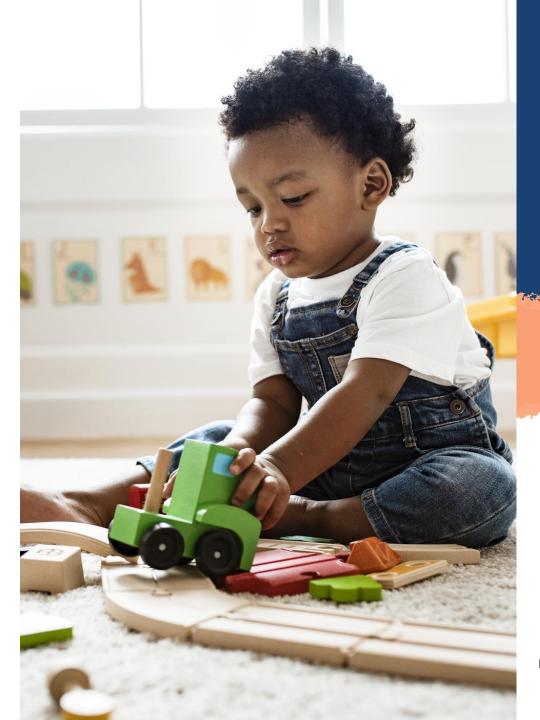


Workforce Boards may customize copy placed in these templates, but not the photos. Remember to keep copy succinct. These templates in the in "Social Media Graphics" folder.

Poster and Digital Signage Templates

- Local Development Workforce Boards indicated a preference for templates which offer flexibility to be sized for 8.5x11 flyers, 11x14 posters and digital signage for display on Apple TVs.
- The following suite of graphics provide templates in three (3) sizes and allow for customized headlines, subheads, and Board logos.
- Workforce Boards may customize copy using these templates but cannot replace the photos.
- These templates can be found in the folder "Poster and Digital Signage"





Your Family May Be Eligible for a Child Care Scholarship

Texas Rising Star high-quality early learning programs set your child up for success. Look for the stars!



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Child Care Providers:

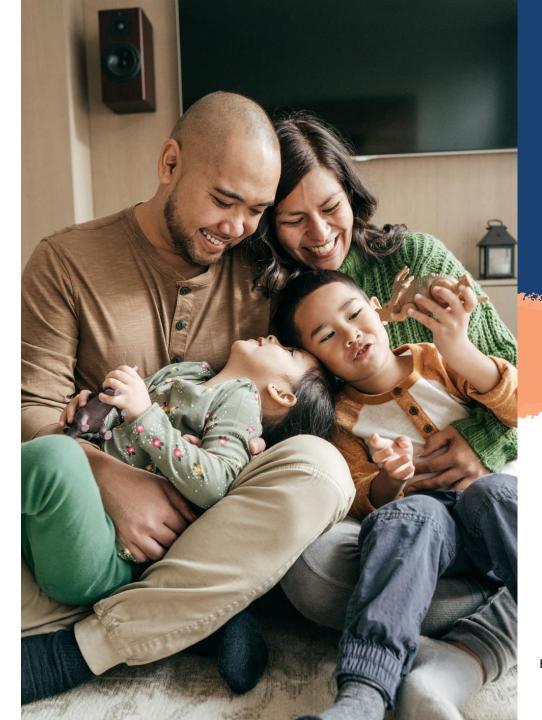
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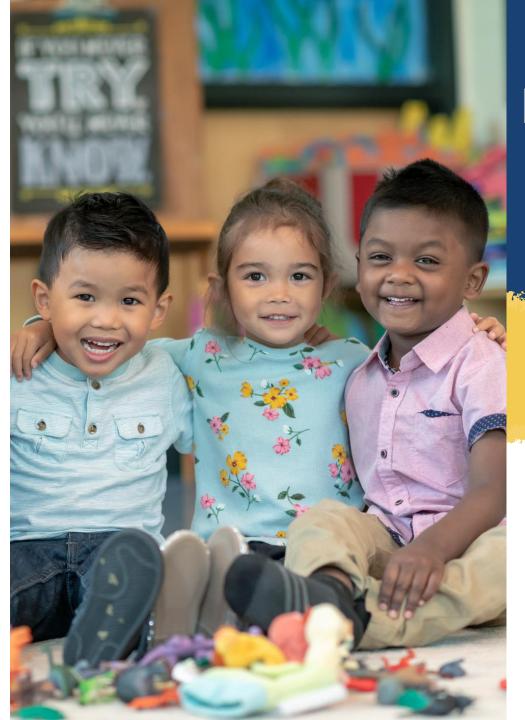
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