Quality Start Los Angeles (QSLA) is a county-wide, quality improvement system that nurtures the whole child, strengthens families, and elevates excellence in early learning programs. We believe all children should have access to high-impact learning environments, which are the quality foundation they need for future learning and life. We partner with early learning programs to support families and improve early learning experiences for children.

Total number of Early Care and Education (ECE) providers participating in QSLA.

1,134

Centers 784
Family Child Care Homes 350

QSLA is Committed to Equity

All children deserve to learn and thrive in an environment that is inclusive, anti-racist, diverse, and reflective of the individuals’ strengths. We exist to provide greater access and trusted resources to communities most in need.

QSLA partners with early educators across Los Angeles County to enhance their program quality, including licensed child care centers and family child care homes (FCC).

We do this by providing:
- Coaching & technical assistance
- Professional development
- Family engagement support and resources
- Financial incentives

534 sites participate in a quality improvement model.

600 sites participate in a quality rating and improvement model.
49,612 children served by QSLA sites

- Infant: 1,511
- Toddler: 5,557
- PreK: 42,104

440 children with unknown age

12,965 ECE staff & administrators participate in QSLA

67% of rated sites are exceeding quality standards.

- Committed to Quality: 0%
- Raising Quality: 1%
- Achieving Quality: 20%
- Exceeding Quality: 58%
- Mastering Quality: 9%

12% Not yet rated

Quality Improvement Plan Topics

- Learning Foundations: 2%
- Assessments: 9%
- Strengthening Families Framework: 1%
- CA ECE Competencies: 18%
- General ECE Categories: 12%
- CA QRIS Matrix: 58%

Quality Improvement Supports

QSLA provides research-proven support to help sites create quality learning experiences for the children and families they serve.