

Arizona Pyramid Model Implementation Site Application

Thank you for your interest in applying to become an Arizona Pyramid Model Implementation Site. We are currently accepting applications for Cohort 2, which will launch in August of 2024. Completing this application will take approximately 30 minutes. Before starting the application, it would be helpful to have the following information available: # of children and number of children with disabilities enrolled in your program, staff/child ratio, length of time staff have been in your program, and training/coaching/and data collection experiences your staff have participated in around social emotional frameworks or curriculum. In addition to that, you will also want to have thought through who will be on your Pyramid Model Site Leadership Team, how many Practitioner Coaches your program will have available, how many staff will participate in implementation efforts, a description of why your program wants to become a Pyramid Model site, a description of your intended scaleup and sustainability plan, and a description of current supports available to your program for children experiencing severe and persistent challenging behaviors.

Applicants will be notified of acceptance by May 17, 2024. If you have any questions as you complete this application, please email PyramidModel@azed.gov

Contact Information

1. Name of Program applying to become an Implementation Site. *
2. Your full name *
3. Email *
4. Phone number *
5. Your Role *
6. Additional Administrator Contact information (if applicable): If you would like to add the name, email address, phone number, and role of an additional administrator in your program, please do so in the space below.

Program Description

7. What county is your program in? (Select all that apply.) *

Apache County

Cochise County

Coconino County

Gila County

Graham County

Greenlee County

LaPaz County

Maricopa County

Mohave County

Navajo County

Pima County

Pinal County

Santa Cruz County

Yavapai County

Yuma County

8. Please indicate your program type. (Select all that apply.) *

ADHS Licensed Child Care Center

ADHS Certified Child Care Group Home

Child Care Centers regulated by military installations

Tribal Child Care Provider

Tribal Head Start/Early Head Start Program

School District Preschool Program

Community Preschool Program

Faith Based Preschool Program

Part C (Early Intervention Program)

Early Head Start Home Visiting Program

Other: please describe in the last question of this section.

9. Please list your Provider ID (P#) if you are a DES Certified provider.

10. Please list the number of children enrolled in your program. *

11. Please list the number of children with disabilities enrolled in your program. *

12. Please list the ages of children served in your program. *

13. What is the staff/child ratio of your program? *

14. Additional information around Implementation Partners (if applicable): If you would like to add the name, email address, and role of any additional implementation partners you plan to collaborate with around the Pyramid Model, please do so in the space below.

15. Please answer each of the following related to the current status of your program. *

Yes or No

Quality First participant

HQEL Participant

PDG Participant

Accredited

Connected to Region 9/11/12

Head Start T & TA Project

around the Pyramid Model?

Connected to NAU's Pyramid

Model grant

Using the Benchmarks of

Quality

Using the TPOT/TPITOS/EIPFFI

Using Coaching Logs

Using Behavior Incident

Reports (BIRs)

Entering data in the Pyramid

Model Innovation Data

System (PIDS)

16. Please list any additional information you would like to provide regarding your program.

Program Goals & Composition

17. Please describe why your program wants to be a Pyramid Model Implementation Site and what outcomes you hope to achieve (200 words or less): *

18. Please list key program leaders and the length of time each has been in a leadership role within the program. *

19. Please share the approximate percentage of staff who have been in your program for two years or more. (Your answer does not preclude you from participating as an Implementation Site and will have a low point value on the scoring rubric.) *

Prior Experience with the Pyramid Model

20. Describe prior program experience with implementing the Pyramid Model or another evidence-based innovation that focuses on the social emotional development of children birth to five.

21. List the name of your social emotional development focus area your staff has had experience with. If none, please type "n/a." *

What training have staff received related to the Pyramid Model or other social emotional framework/curriculum (by whom, when, what specific training, what % of staff received this)? If none, please type "n/a." *

22. What coaching have staff received related to the Pyramid Model or other social emotional framework/curriculum (what type of coaching, by whom, when, what % of staff received this)? If none, please type "n/a." *

23. What data has your program collected around the Pyramid Model or other social emotional framework/curriculum (what specific tools, representing what percentage of staff, how frequently, what was done with the data)? If none, please type "n/a." *

24. If applicable, describe the work of your site level Leadership Team (how frequently you met, what did the team focus on, what roles were represented on the team).

25. How many Practitioner Coaches (internal to your program) will your program have available between August 2024 - June 2025? *

26. How many classroom teachers/teaching teams/early interventionist/home visitors will your Practitioner Coach(es) be able to coach in your first year of implementation? *

27. Please describe your scale up plan so that by year 3-5 of implementation, the majority of classroom teams have been engaged in Practice Based Coaching (2 focused observations/2 reflection & feedback meetings per month)? *

Sustainability Plan

Describe how your program will sustain the Pyramid Model after 3-5 years of support from the AZ Pyramid Model State Leadership Team (training, coaching, data collection, Leadership Team).

28. How will you sustain sending new staff to Pyramid Model training? *

29. How will you sustain engaging new staff in Practice Based Coaching cycles? *

30. How will you sustain data collection? *

31. How will you sustain the work of your site level Leadership Team? *

Behavior Support

Your answer does not preclude you from participating as an Implementation Site and will have low point value on the scoring rubric.

32. Please describe any internal and/or external support your program has around supporting children experiencing severe and persistent challenging behavior. *

Implementation Site Leadership Team

Each Pyramid Model Implementation Site has a Leadership Team. Leadership Team members are committing, to the best of their ability, to the following:

- Have the ability to meet as a Leadership Team on a monthly basis.
- Facilitate collection of data and engage in data-based decisions as a team.
- Assist staff in identifying professional-development needs.
- Assist with systems development of coaching teaching team members around Pyramid Model strategies.
- Access email on a regular basis for communication purposes.
- Attend a 2-day Leadership Academy, in addition to practitioner content training around the Pyramid Model practices.

33. Please list the names of the persons who will commit to serving on the Implementation Site Leadership Team and their responsibilities. This team should represent the program and should consist of administrator(s) who can allocate resources and make fiscal and personnel decisions, internal Practitioner Coach(es), home visitors, teachers, teaching assistants, related service providers, mental health specialists, consulting staff, a family member, and your program's external Program Coach (provided to you through the SLT). Please list names, email addresses, and roles of who will be on your Leadership Team. We understand you may need to add members once you launch. *

Commitment to Participation

34. Please select "Yes" to each item below, indicating your commitment and your staff's commitment to your program participating as a Pyramid Model Implementation Site. *

Yes or No

Implement systems of the Pyramid Model program-wide for three to five years, around training, practice-based coaching, data collection and use, and a Leadership Team. This will be accomplished through structures of support provided from the AZ Pyramid Model SLT.

Work in collaboration with the SLT, Trainers, and Program Coaches to ensure implementation fidelity.

Establish a Leadership Team that meets on a monthly basis and includes the Practitioner Coach and a member that will serve as Data Coordinator. The site level Leadership Team will receive support from a Program Coach to guide implementation steps.

Commit to the participation of the site level Leadership Team in 6 days of meetings/trainings (if those members have not already received these trainings): 1-2 days of Leadership Academy and 3-4 days of Pyramid Model content training.

Collect and use evaluation data to guide program-wide implementation, support practitioner implementation, and monitor child progress and outcomes.

Send program staff and Practitioner Coaches to three days of content training around Pyramid Model practices (if these staff members have not already received these trainings).

Identify Practitioner Coaches to participate in coaching support from the external Program Coach, in addition to participating in 4 additional days of training, including Practice Based Coaching (2days) and TPOT or TPITOS Training (2 days), if these staff members have not already received these trainings.

Begin to or continue entering data into the Pyramid Innovation Data System (PIDS).