



High Quality Early Learning Grant (HQEL)

Sub-grantee Welcome Overview

May 2022



The HQEL Purpose...

HQEL Grant, offered through the AZ DES-CCA (Department of Economic Security Child Care Administration), is to assist Arizona in developing and enhancing capacity to deliver high-quality preschool programming as well as implement and sustain high-quality preschool for eligible children in selected high-needs programs.



The HQEL Grant...

- Is intended to support the delivery of high-quality preschool
- Aligns to the Program Guidelines
- Supports increasing staff capacity
- Supports degree pathways
- Supports those eligible children and family who are most-in-need
- Is not intended to supplant other ECE programming or initiatives

Journey

- Just a small-town girl
- Livin' in a lonely world
- She took the midnight train going anywhere
- Just a city boy
- Born and raised in South Detroit
- He took the midnight train going anywhere

Every program is at a different starting point relative to several indicators. It is our goal to meet programs where they are at and support growth.

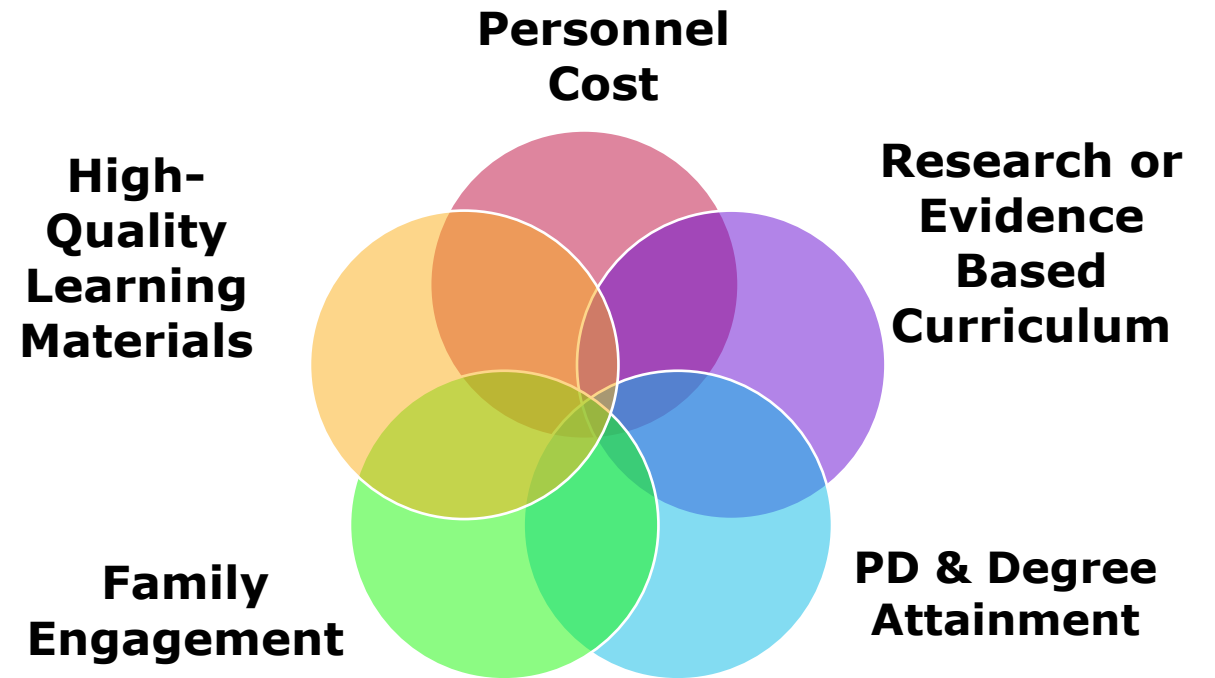


Increasing Access to Quality

The HQEL 3.0 will allocate funds for the provision of High-Quality preschool programming, as outlined in the Program Guidelines and as measured by:

- Accreditation by a Nationally recognized body
- Quality First Participation
- Head Start Affiliation
- Alignment to and implementation of HQPG
 - Curriculum
 - Assessment
 - Educator Qualifications

Allocations





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Allowable Expenditures

Allowable expenditures for the HQEL funds must advance a high quality educational program for preschool and promote early learning achievement using developmentally appropriate practices. All costs must be necessary, reasonable and allocable:

- **Necessary:** Is the cost a type generally recognized as ordinary and necessary for the operation of the HQEL program?
- **Reasonable:** Do I really need this? Is it required in the HQEL classroom to meet the definition of high quality? If I were asked to defend this purchase, would I be able to? Did I pay a fair rate?
- **Allocable:** Is the cost allocable to HQEL? Does the cost benefit the HQEL program?

An hourglass with sand flowing, set against a background of antique clocks.

Dates to Remember

- May 30th- Monthly payments are to begin NLT this date
- August 30th- Programs must be fully operational
- May-August- Onsite visits
- July- Must have all ADE Applications
- August-September- Desktop Monitoring
- November-February- Fiscal and Onsite Monitoring
- June 30, 2024- Last program payment



Onboarding

- HQEL Manual Review
- HQEL Monitoring Review
- EMAC Overview
- ECQUIP
- On-Going Progress Monitoring
- Teaching Strategies Gold
- High-Quality Classrooms and Materials
- Literacy and Instructional Coaching Resources
- Early Childhood Funding

Upcoming Support Sessions

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Resources

- [HQEL Manual](#)
- [HQEL Monitoring Form Templates](#)
- [ECQUIP](#)
- [On-Going Progress Monitoring \(PL\)](#)
- [Arizona School Readiness Framework \(PL\)](#)
- [Teaching Strategies Gold](#)
 - ADE will cover cost of portfolios and training
- High-Quality Classrooms and Materials
 - [Lakeshore](#)
 - [Discount School Supply](#)
- Literacy and Instructional Coaching Resources
 - [Cox Campus](#) and Rollins Institute
- [Early Childhood Funding](#)



Online Professional Learning

- [On-Going Progress Monitoring \(PL\)](#)
- [Arizona School Readiness Framework \(PL\)](#)
- [Intro to Program Guidelines](#)
- [Intro to ITDG](#)
- [Intro to AzELS](#)
- [Professional Learning Webpage](#)

ALL staff being supported by HQEL grant funds must take the listed trainings or can demonstrate they have previously taken the above listed trainings.

ADE Connect



- [How to add an ADEConnect User](#)
- [Access ADEConnect Applications](#)
- [Edit ADEConnect Profile Information](#)
- [Remove ADEConnect Roles](#)
- [Add ADEConnect Roles](#)
- [Edit user](#)
- [Remove a user](#)



Education Monitoring Assistance and Compliance (EMAC)

- [EMAC Administrator Guide](#)
- [EMAC User Guide](#)
- [EMAC Micro Training Modules](#)
- [Find a Monitoring Task Assigned to Me](#)
- [Overview of the Monitoring Task Details Page](#)
- [Complete and Submit an Online Form](#)
- [Upload Evidential Documents to a Monitoring Task](#)
- [Start to Finish Monitoring Task Completion Workflow](#)

Questions



- www.azed.gov/HQEL
- Open Office Hours
- www.ECEInbox@azed.gov
- 602-542-1530
- ADE Support: 602-542-7378
- Sub-Grantee Questionnaire:
<https://forms.office.com/r/F6sNiiK8pa>



Thank You

ADE Early Childhood- Academic Standards

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