

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services  
**DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT**



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TO: Child Care Providers Who Have Submitted Curricula for Review  
FROM: Division of Child Development and Office of School Readiness  
DATE: 12/14/07  
RE: Curriculum Review Update

You have submitted a curriculum to the Division of Child Development to be evaluated for approval for the quality point of the star rated license. Since the receipt of your materials, the Division of Child Development has collaborated with the Office of School Readiness to create a committee to review curricula for approval. With the joint effort, the curricula evaluated by this committee will not only be approved for use by child care programs using curriculum to receive a quality point, but also by classrooms that are a part of the More at Four Pre-Kindergarten program and by classrooms receiving recognition through the NC Pre-K Standards Initiative.

The committee members selected to review the curricula are individuals who are experts in the field of early childhood education. Academic institutions, agencies, and program types represented on the committee include: University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute, Appalachian State University, Wake Technical Community College, Child Care Services Association, NC Department of Public Instruction, NC Child Care Commission, Work Family Resource Center, and a religious sponsored five star program. In addition, child care providers of different aged children are a part of the committee.

The committee has contacted the publisher of the [Name of curriculum] curriculum you submitted to secure additional and original copies (four total) of the curriculum package. *The self-assessments you submitted will be included in the curriculum package given to committee members to aid them in their review process, along with the materials submitted by the publisher.*

Information will be given to publishers about the committee's purpose and composition, along with instructions for submitting materials. A letter from you to the publisher of the submitted curriculum may also encourage the publisher to participate in the review process.

Some providers have submitted curricula they have developed themselves. The agencies have decided to accept this type of curricula in addition to commercially available materials.

The review of curricula will begin January 4; however, materials will be accepted until January 28. Once the committee has completed the review process, the approved curricula list will be posted on the Division of Child Development and the Office of School Readiness web pages.

Thank you for your interest in having your curriculum reviewed. If you have any questions about the process contact Laura Hewitt, Division of Child Development, (919)890-7154 or look on the revised rated license tab on the Division of Child Development web page, [www.ncchildcare.net](http://www.ncchildcare.net).

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