

# Riverside County Hybrid Alternative Payments(RHAP) - Child Care Scholarships and Incentives



# Proposed RHAP Subsidized Child Care Scholarships

## Proposed Access for 150 (FTE) Low Income Families with Priority:

- Infants and toddlers (ages 0-3)
- Direct enrollment for Quality Start Riverside County participating providers and newly constructed or renovated facilities funded by First 5 Riverside County
- Special populations - defined as, but not limited to:
  - families in crisis, migrant families, children with special needs, grandparents raising grandchildren, and continuity of care for families impacted by displacement due to program reduction.

*F5 RHAP reimbursement will align with the State AP rates allowing additional low-income children to access quality early learning education that meets the needs of the families.*

## Proposed Quality Incentives:

Proposed Incentive Structure: Flat Rate per full time week* First Year: 0-4 / Second Year: 0-3	
Center-Based	Family Child Care
\$40	\$25

\*The Flat rate is the same regardless of the child's age and based on a F/T scholarship.  
Rates are half the amount for P/T scholarship.

# RHAP Incentive Layer Payment Changes

## Current Tier Rating Approach

### Centers

Tiers	Full Time	Part Time
Tier 3	\$30	\$15
Tier 4	\$50	\$25
Tier 5	\$50	\$25

### Family Child Care

Tiers	Full Time	Part Time
Tier 3	\$20	\$10
Tier 4	\$30	\$15
Tier 5	\$30	\$15

## New Flat Rate Approach

	Full Time	Part Time
Flat Rate	\$40	\$20

	Full Time	Part Time
Flat Rate	\$25	\$12.50

## First 5 Riverside County -

- Supporting Quality Improvement efforts for QS Providers
- Prioritizing special populations being served in high-quality programs -
  - Children 0-3,
  - Children with Special Needs
  - Tribal, migrant families, and rural/isolated communities
- Bridge to Rate Reform by Incentivizing AP providers to serve low-income children based on a flat rate as a result of the elimination of formal tier ratings
- Incentivizing early learning providers for continued quality improvements

