

Ohio's Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge Grant

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Ohio's Goals for Results

- ❑ 1,300 newly rated, high quality settings
- ❑ 37,000 additional high needs children in highly rated programs
- ❑ Closing kindergarten readiness gap by 5% for high needs children
- ❑ By 2020, Ohio will only purchase services in high quality settings.

Focused Accountable Leadership

- Early Education and Development Officer
- Early Childhood Advisory Council
- Early Education and Development Innovation Committee
- Project Teams

Comprehensive Assessment System

- Join forces with the State of Maryland
 - Kindergarten Entry assessment
 - Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten Formative Assessment
 - Professional development
 - Technology framework



Tiered Quality Rating and Improvement System (TQRIS)

- All publicly funded program types participate
- Expanded program standards
- Test incentives
- Cost and validation study

Supporting and Developing Workforce

- Support use of standards and assessments
- English Language Learner Advisory Group
- Health Promotion Consultants and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants
- Educator competencies