

# RISING STARS AWARD



## IMPORTANT NOTES

- Programs that convert from the BrightStars 2009 standards to the 2013 standards are eligible for the award when coming into compliance with the revised standards regardless if the rating increases, decreases or stays the same.
- Note that applications to BrightStars should be complete. Applications will be processed in an expedited manner but ratings at the higher star levels will take additional time. Programs are encouraged to plan accordingly and apply as soon as possible.
- Programs are eligible for bonus payment upon award of Bright Stars rating. To apply for award please submit attached request form.
- Funding requests will be processed in order of receipt. Rising Star awards will be closed when allocated funding has been depleted.

To recognize programs achieving an advanced level in the BrightStars Quality Rating System, this initiative is offering awards to child care and early learning programs including centers, public schools, school-aged child care programs and family child care providers.

Programs that increase their BrightStars quality rating during 06/01/15-12/15/15 are eligible for a Rising Star

## AWARD AMOUNTS

	1 Star (Conversion only)	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star
Centers/ Public Schools	\$500	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Family Providers	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$3,000



For more information on BrightStars go to [www.brightstars.org](http://www.brightstars.org) or contact Jayme Hines at [jhines@riaeyc.org](mailto:jhines@riaeyc.org) or by phone 739-6100



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