



RATED SITES

current as of 7/1/20

Site Name	Location	Tier Rating	Rating Expiration Date
Fort Jones Elementary State Preschool	Fort Jones	5	6/7/24
Karuk Head Start	Happy Camp	4	3/8/24
Karuk Head Start	Yreka	4	5/30/23
McCloud Elementary State Preschool	McCloud	4	6/4/24
Montague Elementary State Preschool	Montague	4	5/25/25
SCOE (Siskiyou County Office of Education) State Preschool	Yreka	5	6/7/24
Shasta Head Start	Mount Shasta	4	5/23/25
Shasta Head Start	Weed	5	4/9/25
Shasta Head Start	Yreka	5	5/25/23
Siskiyou Early Head Start	Yreka	4	5/30/24

HOW DOES THE RATING SYSTEM WORK?

Tier ratings are based on the Quality Counts CA state rating matrix. Sites are rated on a scale of 1 – 5, with 5 as the highest quality level. Quality Counts Siskiyou early care and education sites are assessed by independent observers who are experts in early childhood education.

Ratings are determined by calculating the number of points a site has earned for implementing quality practices in three core areas:

- Child Development and School Readiness
- Teachers and Teaching
- Program and Environment
- For more information, go to <https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/rt/californiaqris.asp>

WHAT DO THE TIER RATINGS MEAN?

Tier Rating 1: Meets minimum state licensing requirements (All licensed family child care homes and licensed centers in good standing meet this tier level.)

Tier Rating 2: Demonstrates quality across some elements of the CA rating matrix

Tier Rating 3: Demonstrates quality across a significant number of elements on the *Quality Counts CA* rating matrix

Tier Rating 4: Demonstrates a high level of quality across a significant number of elements on the *Quality Counts CA* rating matrix

Tier Rating 5: Demonstrates excellent quality across all or most elements on the *Quality Counts CA* rating matrix

IMPORTANT NOTE: *Quality Counts Siskiyou* rates only center-based programs that voluntarily commit to an external rating process. We do not rate family childcare homes. Environmental and teacher-child interaction assessments are based on point in time observations. If a site is not on this list, it does not imply level of quality. We strongly encourage parents to review the *Finding Child Care & Early Education* and *Choosing High Quality Early Care & Education* section of this website before choosing any program. (See also “*Quality Counts Siskiyou Participants*” below.)

WHO ARE THE QUALITY COUNTS SISKIYOU PARTICIPANTS?

Quality Counts Siskiyou (QCS) participants include license-exempt FFNs (families, friends and neighbors providing childcare), family childcare homes, private centers, all Siskiyou County state preschool programs, and all Siskiyou Head Start and Early Head Start center-based programs.

All *QCS* programs voluntarily commit to a continuous quality improvement process based on their particular needs, interests, and capacity. *QCS* participants have access to coaching support, trainings, technical assistance, classroom materials, equipment, and incentives to help them realize their site’s unique goals.