

Lesson Plan Requirements for All Star Levels

Approved Lesson Plans Include

1 Star Child Care Programs:

- Developed weekly
- Developed for each classroom
- Different each week
- Age-appropriate
- Posted in each classroom
- Developmentally appropriate activities for indoors and outdoors
- Provides for children's social & emotional, cognitive, language, creative expression, and physical development
- Includes reading to children at least 15 minutes each day
- Includes providing opportunities for writing

2 Star Programs includes all components for 1 Star programs PLUS:

- Television or other screen time is not used for children under 2 years

3, 4 & 5 Star Programs includes all components for 1 & 2 Star programs PLUS:

- Reflect program philosophy and goals
- Provide for children's various abilities and special needs
- Provide for children's literacy needs
- Music & songs are included multiple times of the day
- Is reviewed by personnel trained in ELG
- ELGs/Oklahoma Academic Standards used are identified (3, 4, 5 Star)
- Teaching personnel lead and participate in at least two developmentally appropriate physical activities each day

4 & 5 Star Programs includes all components for 1, 2 & 3 Star programs PLUS:

- Is individualized for each child's needs
- Master teachers and teaching personnel review and evaluate lesson plans for effectiveness after implementation

Common Reasons Lesson Plans are Not Approved:

- Wrong date or date whited out and rewritten
- Not developed weekly
- Not developed for each classroom
- Not posted in each classroom
- Not age and developmentally appropriate
- Does not provide for children's social & emotional, cognitive, language, creative expression, and physical development

- Does not include reading to children at least 15 minutes each day
- Does not include opportunities for writing
- Equipment does not match what the lesson plan says (during onsite visits)
- TV/screen time referenced for children under two years old (2, 3, 4 & 5 Star)
- Does not reflect program philosophy and goals (3, 4, 5 Star)
- Does not provide for children's various abilities, literacy, and special needs (3, 4 & 5 Star)
- Music & songs are not included multiple times of the day (3, 4, 5 Star)
- Is not reviewed by personnel trained in ELG (3, 4, 5 Star)
- ELGs/Oklahoma Academic Standards used are not identified (3, 4, 5 Star)
- Does not include teacher-led physical activities at least twice a day (3, 4, 5 Star)
- Not individualized for each child (4 & 5 Star)