



DATE : August 1, 2022

TO : All Approved Subsidy Vendors in Virginia

SUBJECT : VQB5 2022-2023 Practice Year Registration Now Open!

This memo seeks to inform you that registration for the 2022-2023 VQB5 Practice Year is now open! Your program is invited and encouraged to participate. Registration for VQB5 Practice Year 2 takes place from August 1st through September 16. You can register by [contacting your local Ready Regions leader](#).

VQB5 is Virginia's New Unified Measurement and Improvement System. As a reminder, *All approved subsidy vendors that care for children between the ages of birth to five will be required to participate in VQB5 beginning in August 2023*. The 2022-2023 VQB5 Practice Year is the final chance to practice before this legislative requirement goes into effect.

VQB5 supports quality improvement for all publicly funded birth-to-five classrooms. As part of VQB5, your program will receive feedback and support on two nationally-recognized quality indicators: Interactions (measured through [CLASS](#) observations) and Curriculum. Starting this year, VQB5 will replace [Virginia Quality \(VQ\)](#).

How can I prepare for VQB5?

You can prepare **now** by participating in the 2022-2023 VQB5 Practice Year. Contact your local [Ready Regions](#) to register. All programs must register by September 16th to participate in the 2022-2023 practice year.

Approved Subsidy Vendors that participate in the 2022-2023 practice year will receive:

- Training and support, including CLASS training and resources, to strengthen quality.
- Eligible teachers and assistant teachers will receive up to \$2,500 through [RecognizeB5](#).
- A “practice VQB5 rating” for site leaders in fall 2023 (practice ratings are not posted publicly).

Am I required to participate in the VQB5 Practice Year?

- Participation in this 2022-2023 VQB5 Practice Year is strongly encouraged for all subsidy vendors, but not required. Subsidy vendors **will** be required to participate beginning in August 2023.

Where can I learn more about VQB5?

- Attend the VQB5 Information Session for Subsidy Vendors webinar on August 24th at 12pm - [Register Here](#) (this webinar will be recorded).
- Visit the [VDOE Quality Measurement and Improvement \(VQB5\) website](#).

For more information contact vqb5@doe.virginia.gov