

# Happy Face Child Care is now BrightStars rated

CUMBERLAND – Happy Face Child Care has been recognized by BrightStars, a child care quality rating and improvement system that was developed by a team of local early childhood and school-age care professionals and is based on national research on what constitutes quality in child care programs.

BrightStars is managed by the Rhode Island Association for the Education of Young Children, a non-profit organization and the state affiliate of the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

To qualify for BrightStars, Happy Face Child Care was assessed across many quality standards and criteria which included unannounced site visits by BrightStars staff.

BrightStars helps child care providers in Rhode Island learn about best practices in early learning and to apply them to the children under their care.

BrightStars emphasizes the importance of care-giver quality and gives parents information to make positive choices about their children's care.

To learn more, visit [www.brightstars.org](http://www.brightstars.org).

