Memo

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

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Revised Queensland kindergarten learning guideline (QKLG 2024)

Purpose

To inform kindergarten teachers and service providers that the revised *Queensland kindergarten learning guideline* (QKLG 2024) is available on the QCAA website for implementation in 2025.

Background

All Australian, state and territory Education Ministers approved the updated national learning framework *Belonging*, *Being & Becoming: The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia V2.0* (EYLF V2.0).

In consultation with kindergarten and early childhood teachers, services and sector representatives, the QCAA revised the QKLG 2018 to:

- align with the EYLF V2.0
- cater for three-year-olds accessing early education and care in kindergarten.

The update provided an opportunity to recognise the rigour and strengths of the QKLG in supporting quality teaching and learning in kindergarten, while also identifying how the QKLG could be strengthened to reflect key updates made in the EYLF V2.0.

Information

QKLG 2024

The QKLG 2024 is now available on the QCAA website at www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/kindergarten/qklg/qklg-2024.

The revised guideline aligns with the EYLF V2.0 and reflects contemporary understanding and practices for learning in kindergarten with revisions made to Principles, Practices and Learning and development areas. It is designed to support Queensland kindergarten teachers and leaders to nurture confident and creative lifelong learners.

The QKLG 2024 features an improved design for greater clarity and usability, and can be accessed:

- online via the QKLG navigation webpages on the QCAA website
- via downloadable PDF featuring quick-access bookmarks to key chapters, and can be self-printed as a hardcopy reference.





Implementation timeline

Teachers and services will implement the QKLG 2024 from January 2025.

Kindergarten teachers and services will continue to use the QKLG 2018 until the end of 2024 to:

- document and assess the 2024 cohort of kindergarten children's learning and development
- complete Kindergarten transition statements (KTS) for children transitioning to Prep in 2025 in the KTS application via the QCAA Portal.

The existing 2018 guideline supports quality practice with its broad connections to the EYLF V2.0, and teachers can be confident with its usage for the rest of 2024.

Implementation support

The QCAA is providing dedicated implementation support for kindergarten teachers and leaders to understand the changes in the revised QKLG 2024 and prepare for implementation in 2025.

Familiarisation and planning workshops

A series of free, in-person familiarisation and planning workshops will be held in September and October 2024 at venues across Queensland for kindergarten teachers, leaders and directors.

These full-day and collaborative sessions will enable participants to build their understanding of the QKLG 2024, explore how to use the guideline for planning and develop action steps to support implementation at their service.

Register via the QCAA website at https://events.gcaa.gld.edu.au/Catalogue.aspx?yl=4.

Resources

A suite of resources are available on the QCAA website to support familiarisation and planning, including:

- a summary of the key revisions from the QKLG 2018 to QKLG 2024
- summaries of the revisions to the five learning and development areas
- posters and factsheets
- videos.

Further resources are in development and will be released in a staged rollout over the coming months.

What you need to do

- Visit the updated QKLG section of the QCAA website to access a copy of the QKLG 2024 and supporting resources.
- Register for a free QKLG 2024 familiarisation and planning workshop via the QCAA website: https://events.qcaa.qld.edu.au/Catalogue.aspx?yl=4.
- Consider next steps to reflect, review, revise and renew planning and assessment at a service level for kindergarten children from 2025.

Finding out more

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