



Matrix Resources

Core 3: Program and Environment

Element 5: Ratios and Group Size (Centers Only)

Goal for Element 5

Program offers small group sizes and low teacher-child ratios to ensure high quality interactions.



Resources

Click bolded links below to access documents

- **California Department of Social Services-Child Care Licensing**

Matrix Point Levels

Common Tier 1: Tittle 22 Regulations

Infant Ratio of 1:4

Toddler Option Ratio of 1:6

Preschool Ratio of 1:12

2 points: Center Ratio Group Size

Infant/Toddler-4:16

Toddler-3:18

Preschool- 3:36

3 points: Center Ratio Group Size

Infant/Toddler-3:12

Toddler-2:12

Preschool- 2:24

4 points: Center Ratio Group Size

Infant/Toddler-3:12

Toddler-2:12

Preschool- 2:24

5 points: Center Ratio Group Size

Infant/Toddler-3:9 or better

Toddler-3:12 or better

Preschool- 1:8 ratio and group size of no more than 20