

Winston-Salem Children's Developmental Services Agency Pyramid Model Family Fact Sheet

Did you know Social Emotional Skills are Important?



Socially skilled children are more likely to succeed in everyday routines such as:

- Following directions from adults
- Communicating with others
- Managing their emotions/feelings when they don't get their way
- Eating a meal with your family or going on outings
- Playing with other children

These behaviors are all examples of social and emotional skills, which help children interact with others, follow rules and expectations, make friends and manage emotions.

Because this is so important for your child, we are using the Pyramid Model in our program.

What is the Pyramid Model?

The Pyramid Model is a way to support the social and emotional development of children by--

- Supporting positive relationships
- Improving interaction among children, families, and early interventionists

Your Early Interventionist may ask you for permission to record a visit. The recording will help the early interventionist receive additional supports to ensure high quality services for your family.

What will this look like for my family?

If your family has concerns or is dealing with challenging situations, you may receive additional supports that might include--

- Identifying concerns or issues related to social emotional skills
- Promoting positive relationships among children, families and providers
- Supporting environments that nurture children and families
- Individualized supports and strategies to address your concerns
- Direct interventions including assessments and services
- Working with a specialized team to help you develop your family goals

Benefits of the Pyramid Model

FAMILIES

- Receive information on how to help promote children's social and emotional skills
- Team with Early Interventionists to help children grow and learn
- Receive support for preventing and addressing non preferred behaviors

EARLY INTERVENTIONISTS

- Are effective in helping families support their children learn social-emotional skills
- Have information and resources to support families

CHILDREN

- Increase their social and emotional skills
- Improve their ability to participate successfully in everyday routines

