

# Maryland EXCELS: Choosing Quality for Your Family

## Transcript and Video Description

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MARYLAND EXCELS LOGO, CHOOSING QUALITY FOR YOUR FAMILY

**Narrator:** We know how important it is to choose a child care program that's right for your family. That's where Maryland EXCELS comes in.

TRANSITION OF IMAGES: CHILDREN HOLDING A MARYLAND EXCELS BANNER, CHILDREN SMILING WITH THEIR TEACHER, A CHILD GREETING THEIR PROVIDER AND A CHILD PAINTING.

**Narrator:** Maryland EXCELS is the state's Quality Rating and Improvement System for licensed Child Care Centers, family child care providers and even public pre-kindergarten programs.

A PROVIDER SMILING AS QUALITY RATING 1-5 BADGES APPEAR.

**Narrator:** And now you'll be able to easily see if a program participates in Maryland EXCELS by looking for the new badges that show their quality ratings.

A CHILD CARE PROGRAM'S DOOR WITH A QUALITY RATING 5 BADGE. CHILDREN INTERACTING WITH THEIR PROVIDER.

**Narrator:** So make sure you also look for the Maryland EXCELS' badge when you visit a program. You can also ask your child's provider if they participate in Maryland EXCELS.

THANK YOU, A CHILD MAKING A HEART WITH THEIR FINGERS WHILE QUALITY RATING 1 – 5 BADGES APPEAR.

**Narrator:** You can be confident when you see the Maryland EXCELS badge because you'll know that your child is in a licensed high-quality child care Program.

MARYLAND EXCELS HOME PAGE – QUALITY MATTERS: FINDING THE BEST QUALITY CARE FOR YOUR CHILD. MARYLANDEXCELS.ORG.

**Narrator:** To learn more about Maryland EXCELS or to find a quality child care or Early Learning Program near you, visit [MarylandEXCELS.org](http://MarylandEXCELS.org) today.

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