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441—118.27(237A) Criteria for IQ4K—Level 1 school-aged only programs. To be rated at a Level 1, an eligible facility must satisfy all of the criteria in each of the six designated categories listed in Level 1 or complete all of the criteria designated in its respective specialized tracks.

118.27(1) Nutrition and physical activity.

- a. The program administrator and any staff members who prepare meals shall complete one of the department-approved food safety trainings.
- b. A self-assessment and action plan in the area of nutrition shall be completed for an eligible facility.
- c. A self-assessment and action plan in the area of physical activity shall be completed for an eligible facility.

118.27(2) Professional development.

- a. All staff shall complete a professional development plan within six months of each person's hiring date and update the plan annually.
- b. All staff shall complete one of the department-identified new staff orientation courses and must provide a valid certificate of completion. Newly hired staff shall have nine months from date of hire to complete this requirement.

118.27(3) Family and community partnerships.

- a. The program shall provide an orientation for new families.
- b. The program shall complete one annual activity that promotes partnerships.

118.27(4) Teaching and learning.

- a. The program shall provide assistance or access to tutors to support homework or students' learning needs.
- b. The program shall develop and implement a comprehensive discipline and behavior policy that promotes positive relationships.
- c. The program shall develop and implement a comprehensive and age-appropriate schedule of activities.

118.27(5) *Environment.*

- a. The program shall develop and implement, as applicable to ages served, the following policies aligned to CFOC:
 - (1) Supervision.
 - (2) Bullying prevention.
 - (3) Playground equipment stability and fall surfacing and inspection.
 - (4) Missing child.
 - (5) Strangulation prevention.
 - (6) Sign in and out tracking system for children and visitors.
 - (7) Technology.
 - b. The program shall submit one of the following annually:
- (1) Form 470-5676: IQ4K Interaction and Relationship Self-Assessment, which shall be completed by teaching staff.
- (2) CLASS assessment for the age level being served and completed for each classroom by a trained observer.

118.27(6) Leadership and administration.

- a. All staff shall complete Form 470-5680: IQ4K Staff Self-Assessment annually.
- b. The program administrator shall complete Form 470-5677: IQ4K Program Assessment annually.
- *c.* Meetings for all staff shall be conducted two or more times per year. [ARC 6277C, IAB 4/6/22, effective 6/1/22]