

Strong Beginnings

Quick Start Guide Section 10: Curriculum

What is the same?	What is new or different?
Curriculum introduction is the same.	It is important to keep in mind that the purpose of Strong Beginnings is not to assist children in acquiring half of the GSRP curriculum, such as learning half the alphabet. The purpose is to provide a wide variety of developmentally appropriate concepts and knowledge with a focus on oral language development, social emotional development and the development of executive function.
Most of the curricula approved for GSRP are also approved for Strong Beginnings.	All curricula except Connect4Learning, which has no component for three-year-old children that are approved for GSRP may also be used in Strong Beginnings. If Connect4Learning is used in regional GSRP classrooms, any other of the approved curricula may be used in Strong Beginnings.
N/A	In order to provide continuity for children and families, Strong Beginnings classrooms should utilize the same curriculum that is used in GSRP classrooms the children are likely to attend.
Targeted professional learning aligned with the adopted comprehensive curriculum is the best approach when children are presenting differently than expected in any domain.	No supplemental curricula are allowed in the Strong Beginnings classroom.