

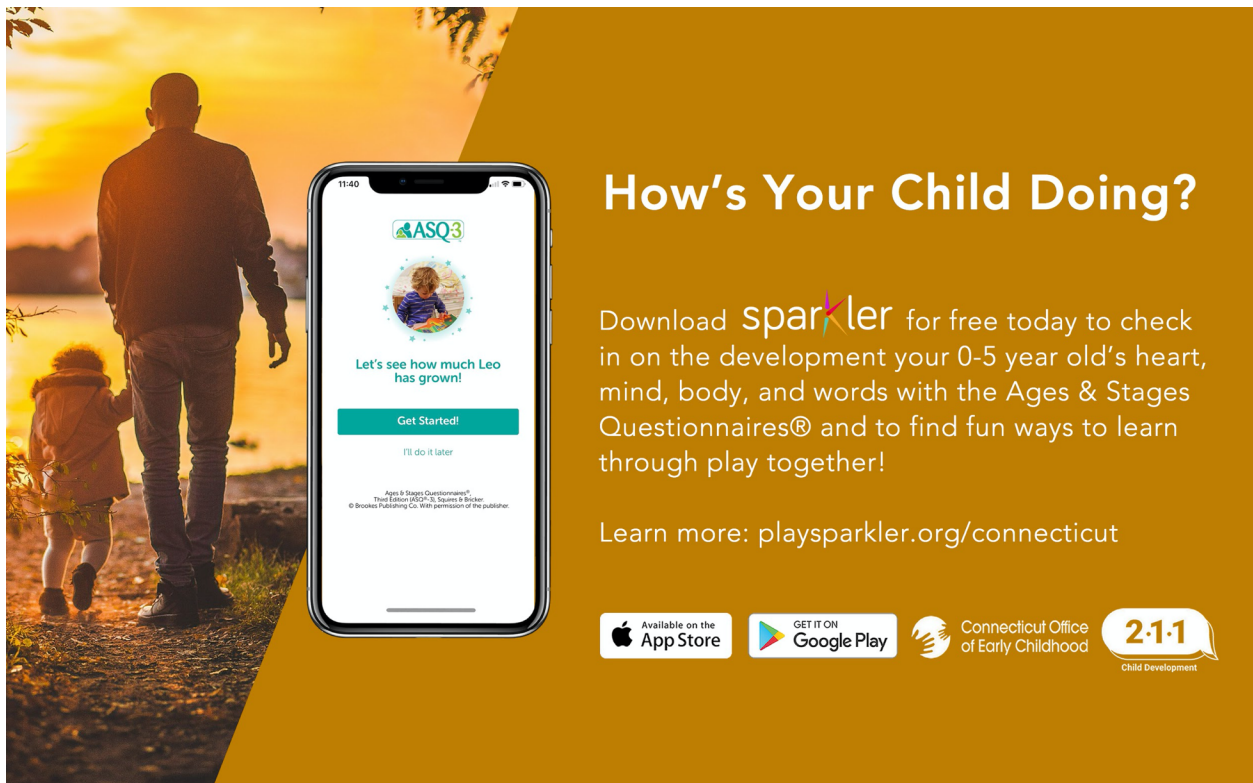
Exciting News for Parents of 0-5 Year Olds

Have you ever wondered about your child's development? Have you been looking for new play activities to engage in with your child? Parents of children ages 0-5 have a new free tool to help their children gain a strong start in all areas of development.

The Bureau of Special Education recently partnered with the Office of Early Childhood and Sparkler, a free app for families that can be used as a developmental screening tool, a source for activities to support child development, and assists parents with making connections with professionals. With this app, parents and caregivers can:

1. Track and monitor children's social-emotional, cognitive, communication, and physical development, including the Ages and Stages Questionnaires®.
2. Support their children's learning and development. Sparkler has a library of 1500+ play-based learning activities developed by early childhood educators, and is adding more all the time.
3. Receive advice and support from child development specialists.

Watch this brief [video](#) for an introduction to Sparkler



How's Your Child Doing?

Download **sparkler** for free today to check in on the development your 0-5 year old's heart, mind, body, and words with the Ages & Stages Questionnaires® and to find fun ways to learn through play together!

Learn more: playsparkler.org/connecticut

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Get started with Sparkler!

Download: If you have an Android smartphone or tablet, download [Sparkler from the Google Play Store](#). If you use an iPhone or iPad, download [Sparkler from the Apple App Store](#).

Register: Open the app and tap “Create a New Account.” Enter **1-6-0-0** as your provider key. Pick Family/Familia in the “Group” drop-down menu. Answer the questions to create an account for yourself and a profile for your child. You must enter your child’s birthday correctly because Sparkler assigns screenings and other content based on your child’s age. You’ll be asked for a “provider key” to link you with your school/provider. Please skip this step for now!

Questions? Please email Sparkler at support@playsparkler.org.

Cómo Empezar con Sparkler!

Descarga: Para Android o tablet, descargue [Sparkler from the Google Play Store](#). Para iPhone o iPad, descargue [Sparkler from the Apple App Store](#).

Registro: Abra la app y haga clic en “Crear una Cuenta Nueva.” Introduzca 1-6-0-0 como clave de proveedor. Elija la opción Family/Familia en el menú desplegable “Grupo”. Responda a las preguntas para crear una cuenta para usted y un perfil para el niño/a. Deberá introducir correctamente la fecha de nacimiento del niño/a, porque Sparkler asignará las imágenes y los contenidos según su edad. Se le solicitará una “clave de proveedor” para enlazarlo con su escuela/proveedor. Por favor, ¡de momento no complete este último paso!

¿Tiene dudas? Por favor, envíe un email al distrito, a [insert address at district], o a Sparkler, a la dirección support@playsparkler.org.