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Does the center have
live internet viewing
of the classrooms?

Check Us Out!



Please refer to the detailed check list of important items to consider when choosing an early childhood learning center for your child. Our program is designed to accommodate your child's needs as an individual.

We look forward to meeting both you and your family!

Independently Owned and Operated
Proud Participant of the Delaware Stars Program
NAEYC Accredited

PROGRAM

Building appearance is friendly, inviting and well maintained?

Is the atmosphere fun and friendly?

Program participates in the Delaware Stars for Early Success?

Does each age group have their own separate outside play area?
with imagination building equipment?

Do the teacher to child ratios meet or exceed the
State requirements?

Are there current Lesson Plans posted for the parents to view?

Children's bathrooms promote potty training
and good bathroom habits?

Is T. V. /Movie time regulated for the children?

Is there technology-based activities that are age appropriate?

Classroom furniture is in good repair?

Toys and classroom areas are well organized?

Program has a positive approach to discipline.

Administrator is responsible for “education” and not “business” matters?

Center interacts with local school district to assure children are screened and ready for their elementary school years?

Are the classrooms inspected by management on a scheduled basis to address health and safety issues?

Classrooms and hallways are decorated with children’s artwork?

Do children seem happy and engaged in an activity?

Does each classroom have a daily schedule posted?

Would a child be able to grow and blossom in this environment?

Community or other awards are displayed?

Teacher and Administrator credentials are displayed throughout the center?

Center pride is evident between students/staff throughout the hallways and classrooms?

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled as needed to discuss child's progress?

Are teachers consistent throughout the program year?

Are all holidays celebrated in the classrooms?

Is a foreign language incorporated into the daily curriculum?

Is the interaction between enrolled families and staff positive?

Is there a comprehensive parent handbook available?

Is there evidence of writing samples and child produced activity samples?

Classrooms are equipped with age-appropriate toys and educational activities?

Is there daily parent/teacher communication?
(ask for a sample)

Teachers have updated access to learning resource guides in their lesson plan process?

Accommodations are made for children with special developmental needs or challenges?

FACULTY

Center has a current annual license posted (State of Delaware Licensing 302-892-5800)

We were greeted in a friendly professional manner?

Right to Know form was given to family at time of tour?

Staff has access to program supported health services?

My child was greeted and interacted with during the tour?

Are teachers updating their knowledge on a regular basis through formal training?

Tour was informative?

Staff credentials exceed State of Delaware requirements?

Is there an administrator/owner available after hours for questions or concerns? All families receive the owner's cell number and email address?

Staff and students are required to have physical screening and physician notes upon returning from illness?

Are parent references available for individual teachers/classrooms?

Is the Administrator's day organized to allow for constant classroom observation and interaction?

Is the office staffed with management during all hours?

Does center office seem organized and efficient?

Prior employment references are verified prior to Staff hiring?

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Adequate management is present in facility to address visitors and emergencies?

Center has a detailed emergency plan in place that includes an evacuation location?

Children with food restrictions and allergies can be accommodated?

Staff Members are medication certified?

Does the center use the Halo Disinfectant System to keep children healthy?

Are the teachers required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination?

Classrooms are equipped with telephones for emergency use?

Playground fencing is in good repair?

Are seat belts utilized in the transportation used for field trips?

Does the center have a health care consultant?

Facility utilizes professional janitorial service to promote a clean environment?

Staff members are trained how and when to use Epi Pens (food allergy management)?

Does the playground have a safe play surface of at least 12-inch depth of wood chips, mulch, sand or other material to prevent head injury?

Is there a procedure for diagnosing and treating ill children?

Are the teachers provided with up-to-date information on recalled toys and children's products?

Medication is not stored in classrooms?

Is the center odor free indicating proper classroom hygiene?

Does the center observe Public Health recommendations in regards to child illnesses?

Are parents notified in writing when their child is injured and called when appropriate?

Does the center have pets which pose health hazards?

Are the classrooms toys/tables disinfected daily?

Does the center have an AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) Unit and Oxygen Unit?

Is the staff trained on the proper use of the AED Unit and Oxygen Unit?

Maintenance staff available to do routine repairs to keep center safe for children?

Security

Main door past lobby is secure and no entry is permitted into facility without security verification?

Valid photo ID was requested and logged prior to entry into facility?

Photo ID was compared against “Megan’s Law” community sex offender listing? (updated monthly)

Security cameras are present and are monitored by managerial staff?

The recording camera system captures all of the main areas of the facility, including the classrooms?

Parents are able to request to view the records of the cameras?

Center telephone is answered?
And does not ring to voice mail?

Are fire extinguishers accessible in the main hallways?
(current annual tags indicating yearly inspection are visible)

All Staff members are CPR/First Aid Certified?

All staff is fingerprinted and criminal background checks are performed prior to employment?

Are enrolled families allowed to enter the facility at any time?

Children/Staff are visible through classroom doors and windows and children are not secluded from sight?

Security procedure is in place to log children in and out?

Nutrition

Kitchen Facility is clean?

Full time/consistent Kitchen Staff knowledgeable about nutrition in charge of food preparation/menu planning?

Do the children participate in “Family Style” meal time?

Copy of current menu is available?

Is there an administrator with a valid ServSafe Credential?