

# Quality Rating








Desert Sands Unified School District Van Buren Early Childhood Education Center Head Start

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**EXCEEDING  
QUALITY**

This program was rated in 2017 on the following:

 <b>CHILD OBSERVATION</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> Evaluates children's learning and development, holds parent conferences, and uses a state-approved tool to help children learn.
 <b>HEALTH &amp; CHILD DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> Uses a form recommended by pediatricians to check children's physical, social and emotional development, in addition to annual hearing and vision tests.
 <b>TEACHER TRAINING &amp; EDUCATION</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> A bachelors degree in early childhood education and development and completes 21 hours of professional development annually.
 <b>POSITIVE TEACHER – CHILD INTERACTION</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> Scores highest on providing: emotional support; an organized classroom; consistent schedules and routines; interactions that build vocabulary, critical thinking skills and curiosity; lessons that include children's experiences and ideas.
 <b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	<b>ACHIEVING QUALITY:</b> Has been assessed on providing a safe, clean and enriching environment and has a plan for improvements.
 <b>TEACHER-CHILD RATIO</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> 3 teachers for every 12 infants; 2 teachers for every 10 toddlers; 3 teachers for every 24 preschoolers or 2 teachers for every 20 preschoolers.
 <b>DIRECTOR TRAINING &amp; EDUCATION</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> A master's degree with 30 college units in early education and development, 8 units of preschool management/administration, 2 units of supervision, and completes 21 hours of professional development annually.