

# Quality Rating










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**Exceeding Quality**

This program was rated in 2016 on the following:

 <b>CHILD OBSERVATION</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> Evaluates children’s learning and development, holds parent conferences, and uses a state-approved tool to help children learn. Results are entered into a software program
 <b>HEALTH &amp; CHILD DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>RISING QUALITY:</b> Ensures children receive annual vision and hearing tests
 <b>TEACHER TRAINING &amp; EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> An associate 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 higher 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>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> Scores higher on providing: A safe, clean, and enriching environment; Good health practices; A variety of activities, materials, and play areas right for a child’s age
 <b>TEACHER-CHILD RATIO</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> 3 teachers for every 9 infants; 3 teachers for every 12 toddlers; 1 teacher for every 8 preschoolers and a group size less than 20
 <b>DIRECTOR TRAINING &amp; EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> A bachelor’s degree with 24 college units in early childhood education and development, 6 units of preschool management/administration, 2 units of supervision, and completes 21 hours of professional development annually