

QUALITY CHILD CARE CHECK LIST

NAME OF CENTER:
Is the center licensed by the State of Colorado?
Does the center use a curriculum?
Is the center accredited and/or have Qualistar rating?
My child's classroom, cost, ratio, and ages:

Tour the Center: The Inside

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| 1. Is there an emergency procedure plan posted? | Y | N |
| 2. Are ratios posted in the classroom? | Y | N |
| 3. Is the license displayed in a visible location? | Y | N |
| 4. Are the classrooms clean and organized? | Y | N |
| 5. Are the toys and materials developmentally appropriate for the different age groups? | Y | N |
| 6. Are the furnishings in the center in good repair? | Y | N |
| 7. Are there any hazards such as dangerous substances, electrical cords, cleaning materials or medication accessible to the children? | Y | N |
| 8. Are there any books/publications for families? | Y | N |
| 9. Is your initial reaction upon entering the center positive? | Y | N |
| 10. Is there a secure entrance? | Y | N |
| 11. Are toys and materials accessible to the children? | Y | N |
| 12. Are the toys sanitized daily? | Y | N |
| 13. Is the school cleaned daily? | Y | N |
| 14. Is there interaction between students and teachers? | Y | N |
| 15. Is there a schedule posted in the classroom? | Y | N |

NOTES:

Tour the Center: Information about Staff and interaction with children

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| 1. Does the staff have first-aid/universal precautions/CPR? | Y | N |
| 2. Does the center follow proper hand washing procedures after diapering/toileting? | Y | N |
| 3. Do the children appear to be occupied and engaged by their activities? | Y | N |
| 4. Does the child care provider handle conflict among the children in a positive manner? | Y | N |
| 5. Does the child care provider seem patient and receptive to the needs of the children? | Y | N |
| 6. Does the schedule indicate a daily routine that is flexible enough to give individual attention? | Y | N |
| 7. Is there a daily method of communication between child care provider and parent? | Y | N |
| 8. Are the teachers/staff educated? | Y | N |
| 9. How are nap times handled? | | |

10. How do you discipline children when you see tantrums, pushing, fighting, and arguments?

11. What is your staff turnover rate?

12. What is the experience of the staff?

NOTES:

Tour the Center: Operational/Policy

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| 1. Does the center allow parents to drop in and visit at any time during the hours of operation? | Y | N |
| 2. Will I be charged when my child is out sick or on vacation? | Y | N |
| 3. Are menus posted? | Y | N |
| 4. Are nutritious meals/snacks provided? | Y | N |
| 5. Is transportation provided? | Y | N |
| 6. Is there a late pick-up fee? | Y | N |
| 7. Does the cost of care include meals and snacks? | Y | N |
| 8. Do the hours of operation and holiday schedule accommodate your work schedule? | Y | N |
| 9. Are parents encouraged to participate and be involved? | Y | N |
| 10. What is your sick policy? | | |

11. What is your billing policy?

12. What types of security measures are in place to assure the safety of the children?

13. What are the center's hours of operation and holiday schedule?

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Tour the Center: Outside

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| 1. Is the outside area free of litter and obvious hazards? | Y | N |
| 2. Is the outdoor play equipment sturdy and in good repair? | Y | N |
| 3. Do the children have the opportunity to play outside each day? | Y | N |
| 4. Are the children being supervised the staff? | Y | N |
| 5. Is there shade available to the children? | Y | N |
| 6. Is there water available to the children? | Y | N |
| 7. Is that outside area fenced? | Y | N |
| 8. Is sunscreen applied to my child before outside play? | Y | N |
| 9. Are staff members interacting with the children? | Y | N |
| 10. Are there a variety of outside equipment and toys available? | Y | N |
| 11. Are the available toys ages appropriate? | Y | N |
| 12. What other opportunities does the outside provide for my child to learn? | | |

General notes about the center:

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