

CAREGIVERS / TEACHERS

- Do the caregivers / teachers seem to really like children?
- Do the caregivers / teachers get down on each child's level to speak to the child?
- Are children greeted when they arrive?
- Are children's needs quickly met even when things get busy?
- Are the caregivers / teachers trained in CPR, first aid, and early childhood education programs?
- Does the program keep up with children's changing interests?
- Will the caregivers / teachers always be ready to answer your questions?
- Will the caregivers / teachers tell you what your child is doing every day?
- Are parent's ideas welcomed? Are there ways for you to get involved?
- Do the caregivers / teachers and children enjoy being together?
- Is there enough staff to serve the children?
- Are caregivers / teachers trained and experienced?
- Have they participated in early childhood development classes?

SETTING

- Is the atmosphere bright and pleasant?
- Is there a fenced-in outdoor play area with a variety of safe equipment?
- Can the caregivers / teachers see the entire playground at all times?
- Are there different areas for resting, quiet play, and active play?
- Is there enough space for the children in all of these areas?

ACTIVITIES

- Is there a daily balance of play time, story time, activity time, and nap time?
- Are the activities right for each age group?
- Are there enough toys and learning materials for the number of children?
- Are toys safe, clean, and within reach of the children?

IN GENERAL

- Do you agree with the discipline practices?
- Do you hear the sounds of happy children?
- Are children comforted when needed?
- Is the program licensed?
- Are surprise visits by parents encouraged?
- Will your child be happy here?