

One of the most important decisions you make as a parent is choosing child care and early education. We want you to make an informed decision. Use this form to research and compare different child care/learning centers and find the best fit for you and your child.



SCHOOL 1 SCHOOL 2

SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT	Did you and your child find the school to be a welcoming, inviting environment, where the staff engaged with children in a positive manner?	✓	
	Does the school provide an indoor gross motor or dramatic play area (COA CITY PLACE)?	✓	
	Does the school have security procedures for entering the building?	✓	
	Are separate classrooms available for the different age groups with developmentally appropriate areas and equipment (STAR Curriculum)?	✓	
LEARNING AND PROGRAMS	Are programs based on age-appropriate learning and development objectives? a. Does the curriculum emphasize school readiness skills— such as reading & math (Just Read & STAR Curriculum)? b. Do staff provide individual and group learning experiences (STAR Curriculum; Planning, Work Time, Recall)?	✓	
	Is there a plan for tracking and achieving key developmental indicators (KDI) for each individual child (COR Advantage)?	✓	
	Do parents get regular updates (written and verbal, plus photos) about their child's daily activities and developmental progress (Tadpoles)?	✓	
	Does the school have a health and fitness program (Presidential Physical Fitness)?	✓	
	Does the school create and publish their own literacy readiness book series that parents and school can use together with our curriculum (Bentley Book Series)?	✓	
	Does the school provide one on one opportunities to discuss developmental milestones?	✓	
FACILITY, STAFF, AND MATERIALS	Does the school provide opportunities for professional development for their staff?	✓	
	Are there regular procedures to keep toys/learning materials sanitized?	✓	
	Did you find the building, classrooms, and equipment clean and in good working order?	✓	
OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER	Do the meals and snacks provided that have nutritional value?	✓	
	Are enrichment activities offered (CampWow, Enrichment Vendors)?	✓	
	Is transportation available to/from your child's primary school?	✓	
	Are the school and family policies available online for easy access and transparency for their families (childrenofamerica.com/familyguides.cfm)?	✓	
VALUE	Is the school a curriculum driven, educational childcare provider? Or a "DayCare"?	✓	
	Does the value of the program exceed the tuition cost?	✓	