



## Congratulations!!

Your child is enrolled, or you may be considering enrolling your child, in a high quality early care and education program. Our program is rated at a **Silver** level, meaning we are exceeding Ohio's minimum health and safety licensing standards!

High quality early care and education programs are important to support positive early development and learning experiences that are known to last a lifetime. Your child has approximately 1,892 days from the day they are born until they enter kindergarten. What happens during this time lays the foundation for success in school and life.

**Silver level** programs, rated through Ohio's Step Up To Quality, means that your child is enrolled in a program where:

- **Staff use a curriculum to plan classroom activities.**  
Our teachers use instructional materials that help them plan lessons and activities. The State of Ohio has approved the curriculum we are currently using.
- **Staff have higher education qualifications.**  
The administrator and 25% of lead teachers have an associate degree or school, training and experience that is equivalent. This education benefits your child's development and learning.
- **Administrators complete an additional twelve (12) hours and teachers complete an additional ten (10) hours of professional development each year.**  
Our administrator and teaching staff commit to expanding their knowledge and skills to better support your child's development and learning.
- **Lead teacher uses results from a classroom self-assessment to improve their classroom.**  
Our staff evaluate the classrooms and teacher/child interactions to make sure the environment supports children where they are in their development. Our staff then make changes to better support your child's growth and learning.
- **The program demonstrates a commitment to building relationships with families.**  
Our staff work with you to create goals for your child and share information about your child's progress. Our program offers at least one event to involve families in their child's learning and development.

For more information on our program or other star rated programs visit  
<http://childcaresearch.ohio.gov/>

To stay current with information regarding early care and education programs in your area and statewide, visit <https://childrenandyouth.ohio.gov/for-providers/step-up-to-quality>.