

Required Criteria for NAEYC Accreditation

Programs Serving Infants and Toddlers

- 1.B.09** No physical punishment, psychological abuse or coercion
- 5.A.03** At least one staff member who has a certificate showing satisfactory completion of pediatric first-aid training and satisfactory completion of pediatric CPR is always present with each class of children.
- 3.C.02** Teaching staff supervise infants and toddlers/two by sight and sound at all times.
- 5.A.12** Infants placed on their backs to sleep on a firm surface that meets the standards of the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission, unless otherwise ordered by a physician.
- 10.A.02*** Administration qualifications (required to achieve Candidacy prior to on-site assessment)
- 10.B.04**** Program is licensed/regulated and in good standing (programs ineligible for regulation must comply with alternative requirements)

Programs Serving Preschool and Kindergarten Children

- 1.B.09** No physical punishment, psychological abuse or coercion
- 5.A.03** At least one staff member who has a certificate showing satisfactory completion of pediatric first-aid training and satisfactory completion of pediatric CPR is always present with each class of children.
- 3.C.04** Teaching staff supervise children primarily by sight; supervision for short intervals by sound is permissible, as long as teachers check frequently on children who are out of sight.
- 10.C.02*** Administration qualifications (required to achieve Candidacy prior to on-site assessment)
- 10.B.04**** Program is licensed/regulated and in good standing (programs ineligible for regulation must comply with alternative requirements)

*10.A.02 must be met as part of the requirements to achieve Candidacy in Step 3 (before receiving a site visit).

**10.B.04 must be met as part of the eligibility requirements to apply for NAEYC Accreditation in Step 2.