

November 10, 2017

Flora Gee, Director
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Dear Flora Gee,

Congratulations! Your program has achieved a new, five-year term of NAEYC Accreditation by successfully completing the renewal process. The NAEYC Accreditation of Early Learning Programs commends **Greenbelt Children's Center (# 291482)** for its outstanding efforts in maintaining and renewing NAEYC Accreditation.

Your dedication and commitment to continuous quality improvement by re-engaging in the NAEYC Accreditation system is remarkable.

This letter includes:

- Information about your program's new term of NAEYC Accreditation
- Information about publicizing your accredited status
- The Accreditation Decision Report

Term of NAEYC Accreditation

Your new term of NAEYC Accreditation will begin on **November 10, 2017** and is valid until **February 1, 2023**. Please note: your program will not be issued a new accreditation certificate until the 5th Annual Accreditation fee is submitted to close your current accreditation term.

To maintain NAEYC Accreditation, your program is required to maintain compliance with the NAEYC Early Learning Program Standards and Accreditation Criteria.

Additional information for NAEYC Accredited programs:

- Programs are required to pay the annual accreditation fee by the anniversary date (above) every year for all 5 years of accreditation
- An annual report is due by the anniversary date for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th years of accreditation. The annual accreditation fee should accompany an annual report.
- In the 5th year of accreditation a program's renewal materials take the place of an annual report. When renewing your program's NAEYC Accreditation adhere to the established due dates in the [timeline for currently accredited programs](#) to avoid a lapse in accreditation and accruing additional accreditation fees
- Programs are required to report [potential required criteria violations](#) within 72 hours of the incident or event
- Programs are required to report [program altering changes](#) to the NAEYC within 30 days of the change
- Programs are required to respond to formal complaints and adhere to [NAEYC's Complaint Policies and Procedures](#)
- Programs are required to agree to additional verification by adhering to [NAEYC's Verification of Continued Compliance Policy](#)
- Programs are eligible to be randomly selected for an [random visit](#)

- Visit the [website](#) for complete information and details on new policies, procedures and any announcements related to your NAEYC Accreditation

Publicizing NAEYC Accreditation

An accreditation seal, news release template, and promotional materials order form will be posted in your [program record](#) within 5 business days. In addition, the following accreditation materials will be mailed separately.

- A new NAEYC Accreditation Certificate
- NAEYC Accredited Decal

If you have any questions regarding the Accreditation Decision Report, please [schedule a consultation](#) or contact us by phone at 800-424-2460, select Option 3. You may also e-mail us at accreditation.information@naeyc.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristen Johnson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Kristen Johnson
Senior Director, NAEYC Accreditation of Early Learning Programs

cc: Jill Barracato (VIA EMAIL)

NAEYC ACCREDITATION DECISION REPORT

Accreditation Evaluation Summary

To achieve NAEYC Accreditation, a program must:

- meet at least 80% of assessed criteria for each program standard; and
- meet at least 70% of assessed criteria for each class selected for assessment; and
- meet all required criteria.

Percentage of Criteria met for each Program Standard: The pass rate for each standard reflects combined ratings from all sources of evidence used to rate criteria in each specific standard.

Standard Name and Number	Pass Rate
1. Relationships	100%
2. Curriculum	86%
3. Teaching	100%
4. Assessment of Child Progress	100%+
5. Health	100%
6. Teachers	100%+
7. Families	100%+
8. Community Relationships	100%+
9. Physical Environment	91%
10. Leadership and Management	100%+

Percentage of Criteria met for each Class Observed:

The pass rate for each class reflects combined ratings from the Group Observation and the Classroom Portfolio for that specific class.

Class Name	Pass Rate	Age Category
Room 1	98%	Preschool
Room 3	96%	Preschool

Required Criteria: All applicable required criteria were met.

Commendations

This section lists the Program Standards that received a score of 100% or greater. A standard score above 100% ("100%+" in the table above) indicates that one or more Emerging Practice criteria were met.

1. RELATIONSHIPS

NAEYC commends your program for promoting positive relationships among all children and adults to encourage each child's sense of individual worth and belonging as part of a community and to foster each child's ability to contribute as a responsible community member.

3. TEACHING

NAEYC commends your program for using developmentally, culturally and linguistically appropriate and effective teaching approaches that enhance each child's learning and development in the context of the program's curriculum goals.

4. ASSESSMENT OF CHILD PROGRESS

NAEYC commends your program for using ongoing, systematic, formal and informal assessment approaches to provide information on children's learning and development. These assessments occur within the context of reciprocal communications with families and with sensitivity to the cultural contexts in which children develop. Assessment results are used to benefit children by informing sound decisions about children, teaching, and program improvement.

5. HEALTH

NAEYC commends your program for promoting the nutrition and health of children and protecting children and staff from illness and injury.

6. TEACHERS

NAEYC commends your program for employing and supporting a teaching staff that has the educational qualifications, knowledge, and professional commitment necessary to promote children's learning and development and to support families' diverse needs and interests.

7. FAMILIES

NAEYC commends your program for the high level of compliance with this component. Recognizing the importance of a reciprocal relationship between families and programs is essential to ensure that programs are meeting the needs of the children and families that the program serves.

8. COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS

NAEYC commends your program for effectively establishing and maintaining reciprocal relationships with agencies and institutions that can support it in achieving its goals for the curriculum, health promotion, children's transitions, inclusion, and diversity.

10. LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

NAEYC commends your program for administering a program efficiently and effectively, ensuring that all involved persons, staff, children, and families are included. The way in which a program is administered will affect all the interactions within the program.

Topic Areas for Ongoing Improvement in each Program Standard

For each Program Standard that met or exceeded the NAEYC Accreditation threshold of 80% but did not meet every criterion assessed, this section lists the Topic Areas in which one or more criteria were not met.

2. CURRICULUM

- 2.J Curriculum Content Area for Cognitive Development: Creative Expression and Appreciation for the Arts
- 2.K Curriculum Content Area for Cognitive Development: Health and Safety
- 2.L Curriculum Content Area for Cognitive Development: Social Studies

9. PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- 9.C Building and Physical Design

Portfolio Performance Compared to Other Programs

This section provides you with feedback about the quality of your portfolios compared to those of other programs that have been evaluated. Portfolios are commended when they score the highest -- among the top 25% of all portfolios. Portfolios that score among the middle 50% of all portfolios are considered adequate. Portfolios scoring the lowest – among the bottom 25% of all portfolios – are deemed to have been inadequate.

Program Portfolio Feedback:

The NAEYC commends your program for creating a Program Portfolio that thoroughly documents how the program's policies and procedures meet the NAEYC Accreditation Criteria assessed.

Classroom Portfolio(s) Feedback:

The NAEYC notes that your Classroom Portfolio(s) offers adequate evidence for most of the NAEYC Accreditation Criteria assessed. However, it is recommended that your program further develop this source of evidence with additional documentation that is clearly described, labeled, and organized.