



Beginning of the Year Questionnaire



Child Profile

Child's Name: _____ D.O.B: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Caregiver's Name(s): _____

You know your child better than anyone else in the world! You have observed your child on a day-to-day basis and are uniquely qualified to share your insight about your child's development with us. Please take a moment to complete this questionnaire, as the information will help us know your child better and allow us to meet his or her individual needs.

What would you like most for your child to experience with us?

What are your child's favorite things to do and/or play with?

Does your child take naps? Yes No How long?

What words are spoken in your house for toileting?

How does your child express anger or react to frustration?

How does your child comfort himself/herself?

Does your child have any particular fears?

How does your child react to change (such as being left by parents)?

How do you discipline your child?

At what age did your child begin to use language?

What do you enjoy the most about your child?

Has your child had previous center experiences? If so, how long?



Family Profile

This part of the questionnaire is designed to help school staff learn more about your family's culture and traditions. With this information, our school can plan better programs to ensure that all of our children and families feel welcome and a part of our community.

What languages are spoken in your home?

In what country (or state) were you, your child, and anyone else who lives in your home born?

Tell us about your family's beliefs about early childhood education.

What are some things you do at home to help your children learn?

What are some of your family's traditions?

What activities do you do as a family? How do you celebrate birthdays and other important family events?

What are some ways you would like to be involved at school?

What could the school do to remove some of the barriers that might keep you from being involved at school?

What is the best way for teachers to communicate with you (phone, email, in person)?

When are the most convenient times for you to attend activities and meetings at school?

What are your hobbies, skills, talents, and interests that you might be willing to share with us?

Do you have any concerns about your child starting school? If so, what are the concerns you have?

Part of our curriculum is learning that we are all unique. As a way to teach this we invite families to share their cultures and traditions that are unique to their family. What are some ways we could recognize and teach about your family's culture & traditions?

Do you have some things that reflect your culture and background that you could share with us (for example, pictures, weavings, carvings, stories, musical instruments, songs traditions naming ceremonies)?