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## Quality Rating

# College of the Desert McCarthy Family Child Development Center

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The program was rated in 2018 on the following:

 <b>CHILD OBSERVATION</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> The program evaluates children's learning and development, holds parent conferences, and uses a state-approved tool to help children learn. Results are entered into a software program.
 <b>HEALTH &amp; DEVELOPMENT SCREENING</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> The program uses a form recommended by pediatricians to check children's physical, social and emotional development, in addition to annual hearing and vision tests.
 <b>TEACHER TRAINING &amp; EDUCATION</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> Teachers have a Bachelor's Degree in early childhood education and development and teachers complete 21 hours of professional development annually.
 <b>EFFECTIVE TEACHER-CHILD INTERACTIONS</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> The program scores high on providing: Emotional support; An organized classroom; Consistent schedules and routines; Interactions that build vocabulary, critical thinking skills and curiosity; Lessons that include children's experiences and ideas.
 <b>TEACHER-CHILD RATIO</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> The program has 3 teachers for every 12 infants; 2 teachers for every 10 toddlers; 3 teachers for every 24 preschoolers or 2 teachers for every 20 preschoolers.
 <b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	<b>HIGHEST QUALITY:</b> The program scores higher on providing: A safe, clean, and enriching environment; Good health practices; A variety of activities, materials, and play areas right for a child's age.
 <b>DIRECTOR TRAINING &amp; EDUCATION</b>	<b>EXCEEDING QUALITY:</b> The Program Director has a Bachelor's Degree with 24 college units in early childhood education and development, 6 units of preschool management/administration, 2 units of supervision, and completes 21 hours of professional development annually.