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Final Project- Campus Child Care Program

**Part 1**

The program for my final project is a campus child care program. I chose this program because I find it the most interesting and beneficial to the community. My program would provide care for up to 50 children birth to 4. The mission of my program is to provide a high-quality early care and education for young children. The goals of my program are to: (1) provide opportunities for children to play and work with each other, (2) provide a safe environment to encourage children in their developmental milestones, (3) prepare 4 year olds for kindergarten, (4) provide parents (staff/faculty/students of the college) child care with full/partial tuition, and (5) provide opportunities for research, observation, and teacher training for students on the campus.

The licensing and approval process my program would go through would be in line with the North Dakota law (NDCC 50-11.1). The Department of Human Services would administer the licensure of my early childhood service as well as authorize the developing of standards to regulate the child care settings. By licensing my program through the Department of Human Services, my program would promote and protect child safety, and my program could participate in the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) or the USDA Food Program. The county social services offices would conduct the licensing studies and investigations of my program, which would happen twice a year. I would consider using the Child Care Aware of North Dakota service to help in starting my licensed childcare program. Using these licensing services, I would hope to have a licensed child care center on a college campus.

**Part 2**

The floor plan of my facility would be split into three different rooms connected by a hallway containing doors to the classrooms and bathrooms. For my 3 and 4 year olds, the room would be 24ft x 36ft, and they would have a sink in their room. Then the 1 and 2 year olds (toddlers) will be in one room that is 24ft x 18ft with a changing station and sink, while the infants are in the same size room next to the toddlers with a changing station and sink as well. There would be numerous windows to provide natural lighting in each of the rooms, as well as a door from each of the rooms that leads outside (which would be locked from the inside for safety purposes). There would be a bathroom in the hallway that connects the three rooms with the college. I would have 3 staff members in with the infants (about 10), 2 staff members with the toddlers (about 10) and 3 staff members with the 3 and 4 year olds (about 20). Our outdoor space will be available on the south side of our facility, approximately 37.5ft x 40ft.

**Part 3**

Our operating budget of income and expenses can be found in the attached document.

**Part 4**

Our parent policy handbook can be found in attached document. It contains information such as the schedule, tuition and fees, policies, sick children, hiring policies, etc.

**Part 5**

Our transitional plan for helping children in our program transfer to the next level is provided in the attached document. It includes the transition team, the goals of the plan, the list of current practices, and the evaluation methods.