

 What should I look for or ask when choosing a childcare center?	The Children's Courtyard®	School 2	School 3
Program			
Is safe and reliable transportation provided to and from school?	Yes — our bus drivers go through a safety training program and our buses have passed all state and company inspections.		
Do children have ample time to work alone and in groups?	The daily routine allows for all children to make choices and participate in large and small groups.		
Will my child be able to complete his homework after school?	Yes — teachers are available to assist your child with homework.		
Do the children play outside every day?	Yes — children have the opportunity to play outside everyday.		
Is there a variety of fun and engaging activities for children to choose from?	Our program is designed so that school age children can choose from several activity zones as well as cooking in the Diner and Science projects in the Science Lab.		
Are there high quality children's books available?	Yes — our libraries are dedicated to young readers. A library area is included in the activity zones as well as our enclosed classrooms for kindergarten and first grade children.		
Do both the classroom and outdoor play area encourage creativity and independence?	Yes — both spaces encourage creativity. Open ended play materials are available in all activity zones and classrooms. School age children actively explore playground equipment and the elements of nature presented by the vast outdoor play area.		

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Program (cont.)			
Are children happily and busily engaged in interesting and diverse activities and projects?	Yes — The curriculum is designed to encourage the child's input to ensure engagement and interest are maintained.		
Does the classroom have a positive energy?	Yes — School age teachers encourage conflict resolution strategies which encourage children to solve problems independently. These strategies increase self esteem and responsibility; creating positive energy in the classroom.		
Are the teachers engaged with the students?	Yes — School age teachers are thoroughly trained on developmentally appropriate practices for young children. These trainings emphasize the importance of speaking to children at their eye level and asking open ended questions. Encouraging engaging conversations with children increases their self esteem, creativity and critical thinking skills.		