




Early Learning Report[©]

Program Name: Mile High Montessori Early Learning Centers Sun Valley Head Start
Address: 990 Alcott Way
 Denver, CO 80204
Type of Program: Center **License Number:** 1504338
Hours of Operation: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM **Number of Children Served:** 33
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Qualistar Rating™ Active through: April 30, 2013

Quality Component/Scoring Approach	Points Earned/ Possible	Qualistar Rating™ Information
<p><i>The Learning Environment component measures:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The space and furnishings available to children * The health and safety of the environment * How well providers support children's language development * The activities available to children and their daily schedule * How well providers support children's social development and the quality of their interactions with children <p>Points are calculated by taking the average scores earned on the Environment Rating Scale® in each classroom. Quality Rating Points range from 0 (very low quality) to 10 (excellent quality).</p>	8/10	<p><i>Observed Strengths:</i></p> <p>The staff at Mile High Montessori Early Learning Center Sun Valley consider themselves a dynamic community of thoughtful, engaged, and innovative individuals who foster diversity and empower children, families, and staff to thrive and share in the journey of life-long learners. Children's language and reasoning development is well-supported through numerous materials and activities. The classroom at Sun Valley is well-equipped and arranged to keep children engaged and comfortable.</p> <p><i>Recommendations for Quality Improvement:</i></p> <p>Address all routine indoor and outdoor health and safety issues.</p>
<p><i>The Family Partnerships component measures how well programs:</i></p>	8/10	<p><i>Observed Strengths:</i></p> <p>MHMELC Sun Valley provides information and activities to families to</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Develop relationships with families * Serve as a community resource for families * Offer families opportunities to be part of their children's early learning experience * Communicate with families about their child's development and how the program operates <p>Information from family questionnaires and documentation from the program on family partnership activities are tallied. Points are earned based on family responses and on specific activities offered by the program. Quality Rating Points range from 0 (few family partnership activities offered) to 10 (many family partnership activities offered).</p>		<p>extend children's learning from the program to the home environment. Families are overall satisfied with the staff and care at MHMELC Sun Valley. One parent wrote, "Help has been offered and discussed with me on several different topics, both in and out of the classroom, sometimes without me having to ask! My daughter enjoys herself and is learning valuable lessons everyday! "</p> <p>Recommendations for Quality Improvement:</p> <p>Continue fostering high quality relationships with the families served. Consider developing a written plan for Family Partnerships activities based on the needs and interests of families, children, and staff. Set goals and a timeline for activities annually and evaluate each activity to help with future planning.</p>
<p>The Training and Education component measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The average level of early childhood education and work experience attained by teaching staff and administrators with the number of hours that each staff member works in the program factored into the calculation <p>Quality Rating points range from 0 (minimal staff training and experience in early childhood education) to 10 (average education level is a Bachelors degree or higher in early childhood education).</p>	2/10	<p>Observed Strengths:</p> <p>Teachers' formal training in early childhood education is reflected in the quality of their interactions with children and in the variety of activities they offer which promote children's language, reasoning, math, and social skills.</p> <p>Recommendations for Quality Improvement:</p> <p>Continue to support staff in continuing formal Early Childhood college coursework to ensure staff have at least 24 ECE credits and/or a formal degree.</p>
<p>The Adult: Child Ratios / Group Size component measures:</p>	10/10	<p>Observed Strengths:</p> <p>Low adult to child ratios and small group size in this program are</p>

<p>* The average adult: child ratio and the average group size in classrooms collected several times during the day</p> <p>Quality Rating Points range from 0 (few staff: many children, with large group sizes in classrooms) to 10 (optimum number of staff: children, and low group sizes in classrooms). Please note standards for number of children and group sizes vary by age group.</p>		<p>associated with quality teacher-child interactions, more individualized care and education, and less restrictive teacher behavior. The program is to be commended on this investment in child-centered care and education.</p> <p>Recommendations for Quality Improvement:</p> <p>Continue to monitor enrollment and staffing patterns to meet high quality ratios and group size.</p>
<p>The Accreditation component measures:</p> <p>* Whether a program has earned national accreditation for meeting high quality standards</p> <p>Quality Rating Points are 0 (program is not nationally accredited) or 2 (program is nationally accredited).</p>	0/2	<p>Observed Strengths:</p> <p>MHMELC Sun Valley is not currently accredited.</p> <p>Recommendations for Quality Improvement:</p> <p>No recommendations at this time.</p>
<div> <div>Total Points: 28/42</div> <div>Qualistar Rating</div> <div>  </div> </div>		

Qualistar Rating Chart

0 - 9 Points OR LE score of 0 = Provisional

10 - 17 Points =  26 - 33 Points = 

18 - 25 Points =  34 - 42 Points = 

The conclusions set forth in this Early Learning Report® are based, in part, on the observation of the child care providers at this facility over multiple days during a one month period. This data is only a snapshot of the program's quality and cannot assure the longer term quality or effectiveness of the program. In addition, the quality of a program may change depending on organizational trends, changes in management and staff, availability of resources, and other factors.

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