



LifeSpan

Day Care You Can Trust For Children.

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The first 5 years of life are very important for your child because this time sets the stage for success in school and later in life. During infancy and early childhood, your child will gain many experiences and learn many new skills. It is important to ensure that each child's development proceeds well during this period. We will be using Ages and Stages Questionnaires to monitor your child once they start a new classroom.

- I have read the attached information provided about the Ages & Stages Questionnaires and I wish to have my child participate in the screening/monitoring program.

- I do not wish to participate in the screening/monitoring program. I have read the provided information about Ages & Stages Questionnaires and understand the purpose of this program.

x _____
Parent's or guardian's signature

Date

Child's Name: _____

Child's Birth date: _____

If child was born 3 or more weeks prematurely, # of weeks premature: _____

What is the *Ages & Stages Questionnaires*?

The *Ages & Stages Questionnaires*®(ASQ) is a questionnaire designed to help parents and/or caregivers screen their child's development.

** Parents can use the results of the ASQ to help talk with pediatricians, teachers or other professionals if they have concerns about their child's development.

Early diagnosis and treatment of developmental delays can help give a child the best opportunity to reach his/her full potential.

The Questionnaires

The core of *Ages & Stages Questionnaires* is a series of 20 questions that correspond to age intervals from birth to 6 years.

- Each questionnaire contains simple questions for parents and caregivers to answer about activities their child is (or is not) able to do.
- The answers are scored and help to determine whether the child's development is on schedule or whether the child should be referred for a developmental checkup with a professional.

Activities discussed in each questionnaire reflect developmental milestones for each age group. Parents can learn more about what to expect their child to be able to do at each stage of development.

For more information please contact your staff at the center for visit <http://agesandstages.com>