
March 28, 2008

Lexi's Lil Lambs
c/o Vanessa Johnson
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Dear Vanessa,

There are many times that people will tell you what they don't like or when something is going wrong but I wanted to take this opportunity to write and give praise. I am very excited and happy to see that the language enrichment program has begun at Lexi's Lil Lambs. The timing of the introduction of sign language and Spanish to the children, as they are so able and eager to learn about the world around them, could not be better. I like your choice of Sign language as it is a great tool for the children to work on both their language and fine motor skills allowing them to take more ownership and control of their bodies.

I learned about the start of the programs while in the car a few weeks ago. I was driving in the car and my son, Alfonzo (AJ) said he wanted an apple; now, he likes to eat fruits and vegetables so his request was not a surprise to me, and as I answered in the normal manner, "OK, we will get one later, he spoke up and replied back, "Not like that dad, an apple like this and he signed apple." I was so impressed that I told everyone. It took me by surprise. Every since then I have been telling everyone I know about his ability to sign, small things but his ability none the less. I now find myself asking him all of the time what has he learned lately to sign. He told me the other day he learned the word banana.

I am very pleased with the job that you and all of your staff are doing with him. I must admit that I was not sure how his speech would progress as he received a lot of attention from you with his actual speech development and knowing that it would be unlikely that he would still receive the same attention with his speech. I was also curious to see how he would do moving from in home care to a center but, I know that the staff is very engaged with him as well as with the other children and I am happy with that. I am very pleased to say that the transition has been wonderful especially with the cameras. The cameras add a special touch and it is a real joy to be able to see him during the day. I must say that I am I watch him all of the time in the class room via camera and see how involved he is with the teachers, both men and women, and I am pleased.

Thank you,

Mr. and Mrs. Alfonzo and Marcia Shade
Parents