

Dear Wings Center staff,

I wanted to take the time to thank all of you for everything you've done for my daughter, Coral. When she first started at Wings, a little over a year ago, her extreme shyness with adults made it so she could hardly speak. But they have all been so caring and giving, she has truly blossomed with them. And in no other place, besides at home, do I see her joking around with grown-ups.

I have to admit I was a little nervous about taking her to anything but a small home daycare (that was my preference with her older brothers and sisters.) But I kept hearing such great things about Wings, I had to give it a try. I'm so glad I did!

It's amazing to me how the kinder-program teachers in Club Kid focus on the whole child. In the middle of all the fun and games (and swimming, and rock climbing, etc.), you subtly work in fun lessons in cooking/science, nutrition, and even social skills and responsibility. Plus there's plenty of free-form play and weekly field trips. Best of all, your teachers seem to bring out the best of the kids...they are always there with a genuine smile and a watchful eye for a quiet little kid who might need help and be too shy to say something. I can't imagine the painstaking work you do in selecting your staff. They are all "naturals" with kids and seem to always know the right thing to say (and with an enormous amount of patience).

Even the bus driver is "on board" in helping kids flourish. My daughter is always talking about the jokes made, and the bus ride from her school to Wings not only saves me time (and worry and gas), but is part of what she looks forward to. You guys have also gotten rave reviews from the teacher and receptionist at my daughter's school. They've told me that other similar programs don't even come close to you guys, especially in your employees and in making sure kids don't get "lost in the shuffle."

All this together makes it so much easier to leave my little girl each day. I know she's in good hands, and I greatly appreciate your influence in her life.

Sincerely,

Debbie Kidder