

ECED 3013 Playground Inpsection

Playground/Play Area Inspection

You are to identify a playground or play area to inspect. You may choose a public playground, a school playground, a commercial play area (McDonald's, Gymboree, etc.) -anywhere you like. The requirements are the space is designated for use by young children, and there is equipment (swings, slides, sand box, climbing structures, ball pits, etc.) in the area. For example, the play area of an apartment complex which has a climbing structure, monkey bars, and swings is acceptable. An area designated for use by children which has hopscotch, circles or grids for games painted on the asphalt could not be used. Once you have chosen the area to inspect, you will need to take photographs of the area from at least two angles. If there are three pieces of equipment on the playground/play area you will need photographs of each of these pieces of equipment. You will find it helpful to take a tape measure or ruler with you to the playground/play area. Please complete the attached inspection form of the date of your visit. Please submit for grading the completed inspection form, photographs of the playground/play area (photographs should be 2" X 3" minimum) and a one page summary indicating the following: The name and address of playground/play area Date of visit Summary of your findings What you discovered How this experience will be beneficial to you in the future

Element	Levels of Performance			
Spelling, Grammar, Mechanics of Writing	Target(6-10) Document is free from errors in spelling, grammar, and mechanics of writing	Acceptable(1-5) Document has less than five errors in spelling, grammar and mechanics of writing	Unacceptable(0) Document has five or more errors in spelling, grammar, and mechanics of writing	

2. Type written or word processed, double spaced, one inch margins, 12 pt font, Times New Roman, Arial, or Courier font	Target(6-10) Paper follows all formatting guidelines	Acceptable(1-5) Paper follows some formatting guidelines	Unacceptable(0) Paper does not follow formatting guidelines p;
3. Justification for Playground Ratings	Target(16-30) Candidate provides detailed (including, but not limited to measurements made and hazards observed) information which justifies the ratings assigned for each component of the playground	Acceptable(1-15) Candidate provides information which justifies the ratings assigned for each component of the playground	Unacceptable(0) Candidate does not include inspection sheet notes or summary the justification for ratings of each playground component knbsp;
4. Photographs	Target(6-10) Photographs of all equipment are included and are at least 2" X 3" in size	Acceptable(1-5) Photographs of all equipment are not included Or Photographs are not at least 2" X 3" in size	Unacceptable(0) Photographs are of playground are not included
5. Playground/Play area Suitability	Target(2-10) Playground/Play area is suitable for inspection according to assignment	Acceptable(1) Playground/Play area is not suitable for inspection according to	Unacceptable(0) Playground/Play area is not suitable for inspection according to

	guidelines	assignment guidelines &nbs p;	assignment guidelines &nbs p;	
6. Summary	Target(16-30) Summary is well written and includes all required informationCandidate thoroughly indicates what they have learned about playgrounds and play areas in early childhood programsCandidate thoroughly indicates how the information learned will benefit them professionally	Acceptable(1-15) Summary of activity is includedCandidate does not include all required information in summary, or only marginally addresses all informationCandidate makes a statement regarding what they have learned, but provide no real depth in thought in their responseCandidate makes statement regarding how the information learned will benefit them professionally, but does not reflect deeply on the experience	Unacceptable(0) Summary is not included, or summary of activity is not evident	