


National Accreditation Commission for Early Care and Education Programs (NAC)



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 512-316-3679

COST CONSIDERATIONS

ANNUAL FEES

\$400 - \$530

SELF-STUDY FEE

\$400 - \$700

ON-SITE VISIT FEE

\$1,500 - \$2,800

OVERVIEW

NAC offers a flexible, cost-effective alternative to NAEYC, making it ideal for diverse programs. With a 6-month self-study period and faster processing than others, this option is ideal for a quick start.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

ACCREDITATION VALIDITY

4 years

TIERED ACCREDITATION LEVELS BY LICENSED CHILD CAPACITY

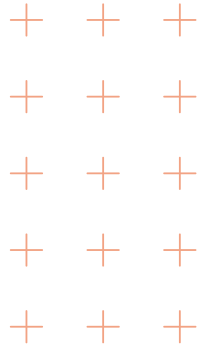
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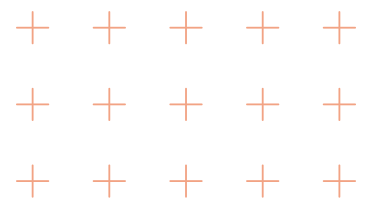
SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR OKLAHOMA

Yes. Two expedited pathways available.

SPANISH SUPPORT

NO





TIMELINE

Initial Accreditation

Programs are required to spend at least 6 months in the self-study process. Programs request a validation visit only when satisfied that improvements have been made, and Commission Standards are met. It may take up to four months after the validation visit for the program to receive the accreditation decision.

Renewal Frequency

Every 4 years

OTHER KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Pathway A services programs previously accredited with the national accreditation commission in good standing. This process is expedited, and visits are offered virtually. Must declare intent to become accredited within 30 days of DHS rules approval.
- Pathway B services programs that are new to the national accreditation commission. Must enter self-study within 30 days of DHS rules approval. Expedited validation options available. Waiver of requirement to be in business 1 year before entering self-study.

