



# DAY CARE

## Inspection Preparation Checklist

- **Certificate of Occupancy** for Day care (from the City of Austin) must be provided.
- **Address Numbers** must be on the building and be clearly visible from the street.
- **Lighted Exit Signs** with power backup is required when there is more than one exit out of a room or area.
- **Emergency Lighting** is required in interior stairs, corridors, and windowless areas with student occupancy. (Most classrooms may have flashlights for emergency lighting per TxDPRS.)
- All **Exit Doors** must open easily without binding or sticking. **Exit Door Hardware** must work properly. All **Exit Paths** must be free of obstructions.
- **Fire Alarm System and Fire Sprinkler System** (if applicable) must be inspected and properly tagged within the last **12 months**. **Kitchen Hood Systems** – within the last **6 months**.
- **Smoke Detectors** must be provided in corridors, at stair doors, lounges, recreation areas, and sleeping rooms (per fire code). TxDPRS requires smoke detectors in every area that has children. If a Fire Alarm is present, then ALL smoke detectors must be tied-in to this system.
- **Portable Fire Extinguisher**, at least a 2A10BC-type, must be positioned every 75 feet of travel distance and one within 30 feet of cooking equipment. It must be inspected and properly tagged within the last 12 months.
- **Electrical Outlet Covers**. *Approved* covers need to be on all outlets and light switches-no cracks.
- **Playgrounds**. Each fenced yard must have at least 2 exits. Employees must be able open the gates/locks *immediately* in an emergency.
- **Fire Drills, Evacuation Plans, Swimming Pools, etc.**