Preschool and School-Age Classroom Checklist Resource:

This checklist may be used alongside your NECPA Self Assessment Instrument when evaluating your classrooms. This is not an all-inclusive list for all standards, but includes some of the most commonly overlooked observable items.

Preschooler (3-5yr) and School-Age (5-12yr) Classrooms **–** All of the items on the checklist should be observable.

Learning Centers	Observable Items
☐ Table Top Games/Manipulatives ☐ Dramatic Play ☐ Arts and Crafts ☐ Large Muscle ☐ Science/Nature ☐ Block Building ☐ Fine Motor ☐ Math/Numbers ☐ Language Arts/Literacy ☐ Music/Movement ☐ Nutrition ☐ Woodworking/Carpentry*	☐ Reading area (with soft furniture) ☐ Mirrors for developing self-awareness/self-concept (at child's eye level) ☐ Family pictures (at child's eye level) ☐ Artwork/Child's work (at child's eye level) ☐ Room arrangement is child-friendly and developmentally appropriate ☐ Child-size equipment ☐ Low, open shelves ☐ Books, toys and materials reflect multicultural and multiethnic diversity ☐ Handwashing sink is adjacent to the bathroom to prevent the spread of disease ☐ Posted hand-washing procedure ☐ Food preparation sink/area is separate from handwashing sink/area ☐ Cleaning solution and sanitizer is out of children's reach

***Please Note**: Woodworking/Carpentry is defined as using or manipulating real wooden pieces, which can be cut, glued, and/or nailed in a developmentally appropriate manner. Any tools provided must be child-sized and age-appropriate. The use of blocks from the Block Area will not meet the requirements for this standard. Proper supervision and instruction are vital for successful implementation of Woodworking/Carpentry.

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