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3 Year Goals

I have three very specific goals I am going to accomplish in the next two years. The first goal that I have been working on for many years is getting my AAS degree in early childhood education. As a care provider I have taken a class here and there to meet the required training in the Paths To Quality program. I was a center director for 4 years and this is where I took most of the classes to complete this degree. As a director without the degree I had to commit to 9 credit hours per year in order to keep my position. This is something I wanted to do and didn't find it too hard to keep up with. I have enjoyed the early childhood classes, and admittedly learned more that I thought I would ever use in my day to day life in the general education classes as well. Here's to graduating in May 2019! The second goal (not in chronological order) is that I have been working on is becoming accredited. When I had my center there were too many staff that did not commit to the education for me to become accredited. I am finally in a much smaller organization and the education is doable. I have turned in the enrollment, done the self-study, and applied to NAFCC. My observation will take place some time in March. I have taken care to meet all the standards and I see no reason why A Blessed Child llc would not be accredited in March 2019. Then, sometime in the next two years I would like to clean out and organize all storage to know exactly what I have to work with and where to look for it when I need it. I will need shelving and a labeling system. I have a basement and an area not being used for the care of children right now.

5 Year Goals

My 5 year goals are a little harder to name. The first goal would be to make sure all the staff here have earned their CDA credential. I would enroll them in the T.E.A.C.H. organization through IAEYC and mentor them myself. 2nd goal; I would like to incorporate the parents more in our learning activities. I'm just not sure exactly what that looks like yet. Parent involvement is crucial to student success. I do know that. Maybe parents would enjoy coming to be a secret reader in their child's class. Or we could have some parents come to talk with the children about their jobs. The 3rd goal would be to become more organized in my finances and begin to save more towards retirement. This involves staying full most of the time and I think being accredited will help with that. I have a Roth IRA I am currently saving through, and would love to put the maximum amount in each year.