

## Project Description – Childcare Facility Improvements

The proposed project involves renovations and safety enhancements to establish and operate a licensed childcare facility serving children ages 2½ and up. The improvements are designed to meet state childcare licensing requirements, promote child safety, and create an environment that supports learning, development, and healthy routines.

### Hours of Operation & Capacity

The childcare center will operate Monday through Friday from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM, providing full-day and extended-hour care to support families with varying schedules. The program will accommodate a maximum of 70 children per shift in accordance with staffing, ratio, and licensing requirements. A total of 5,675 square feet of the building's second floor located at 12012 W. North Avenue, Wauwatosa, WI 53226, will be utilized for licensed childcare operations.

#### 1. Playground Fence Installation

To ensure the safety and security of all children in outdoor spaces, the project includes the installation of a fully enclosed fence around the designated playground area. The fence will meet or exceed state licensing regulations for height, material, and gated entry, creating a controlled and supervised outdoor environment.

#### 2. Classroom Sinks & Handwashing Stations

Each classroom will be equipped with child-accessible sinks to support hygiene routines, handwashing, and daily care practices. Installing sinks directly inside classrooms reduces the need for children to exit the space for routine hygiene, improving supervision and safety.

#### 3. Changing Table Installation

To meet the needs of children who may still require occasional toileting assistance, the project includes the installation of a changing table within the classroom setting to properly support children ages 2½ and up during toilet training transitions.

#### 4. Program Purpose & Capacity

With these upgrades, the childcare program will safely and appropriately serve children ages 2½ and older while remaining fully compliant with state licensing standards. These enhancements also support extended operating hours and the shift capacity of 70 children.

#### 5. Community Impact

These improvements will strengthen the availability of accessible, high-quality childcare within the community. Upgrading the facility with secure outdoor play areas, equipped classrooms, and extended hours will enhance safety, efficiency, and family support.

