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For many parents, finding a day care center that is accessible and inclusive can be a challenge. The ADA requires that public facilities, including day care centers, be accessible to people with disabilities. This means that centers must have ramps, wide doorways, and other features that allow children with physical disabilities to enter and move around the facility.

But the ADA also addresses communication and program accessibility. Day care centers must provide services to children with hearing, vision, and intellectual disabilities. This can involve providing sign language interpreters, large print materials, and other accommodations that ensure all children can participate in the program.

Parents are encouraged to ask day care centers about their ADA compliance. Many centers have staff who are trained in working with children with disabilities, and they can provide valuable information about their facilities and programs.

By ensuring that all children have access to early childhood education, the ADA helps to level the playing field and gives every child the opportunity to thrive.



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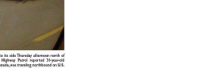
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