



18 Considerations before buying a nursery

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1 Define your goals

Determine your objectives, such as the age group you want to cater to, the size of the nursery, and the location.

2 Research the market

Analyse the demand for childcare services in the chosen area and study the competition to assess the saturation of nurseries in the vicinity.

3 Legal and regulatory requirements

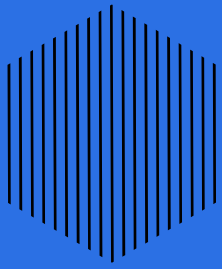
Ensure you understand the local, state, and national regulations related to running a nursery, including licensing, staff qualifications, and safety standards. This process can take many months.

4 Financial planning

Create a detailed business plan, including budget, funding sources, and financial projections. Account for initial acquisition costs, operational expenses, and potential revenue.

5 Due diligence

Thoroughly inspect the nursery's facilities, equipment, and any existing contracts or liabilities. Review financial records and assess the condition of the business.



Remember...

Owning a nursery requires you to go 'all in' and build relationships with team members and parents, it isn't an easy or guaranteed investment.

6 Staffing and training

Evaluate the current staff and their qualifications. Plan for any necessary training, hiring, or reorganization to meet your goals.

7 Curriculum and philosophy

Understand the nursery's existing curriculum and educational philosophy. Decide if it aligns with your vision or requires modification.

8 Parent and community relations

Assess the nursery's relationships with parents and the community. Plan for how you'll maintain or improve these connections.

9 Transition strategy

Develop a transition plan for a seamless change in ownership. Communicate clearly with staff, parents, and stakeholders about the transition.

10 Marketing and branding

Consider how you'll promote your nursery, attract new families, and retain existing ones. Develop a branding strategy that sets you apart from the competition.

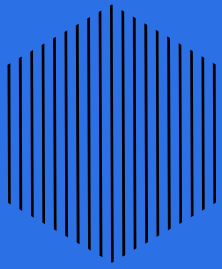
11 Operational improvements

Identify areas where you can enhance efficiency, safety, and quality of care. Implement any necessary improvements gradually and strategically.

12 Professional support

Seek advice from professionals, such as accountants, lawyers, and educational consultants, to guide your purchase and operational strategy.





Remember...

Even if you have had success in business or worked in the sector for a long time, you are embarking on a new journey with a steep learning curve. Be open and engaged.

13 Ongoing learning

Stay updated on early childhood education trends and best practices through professional development and industry resources.

14 Patience and dedication

Buying and managing a nursery can be challenging but rewarding. Be patient and dedicated to your vision.

15 Evaluation and adaptation

Continuously evaluate the nursery's performance and be ready to adapt to changing circumstances and challenges.

16 Financial contingency

Prepare for unexpected financial challenges by maintaining a financial safety net.

17 Seek support from industry associations

Join local and national early childhood education associations to access resources, network, and stay informed.

18 See legal and financial advice

Consult legal and financial experts to navigate the acquisition process and ensure a smooth transition.

Good luck

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