

Child's Name _____ Class: _____



A CHILD'S WAY KINDERGARTEN-PRESCHOOL

Health & Wellness Policy

A Child's Way is committed to keeping our children and staff safe and healthy.

Upon arrival, your child will be assessed for illness. As directed by the Early Learning Division, State of Oregon, parents will certify that their child does not have any of these symptoms: Unusual cough, Loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath, or fever. If your child is ill, we would expect you to keep your child at home until they have been temperature free (without taking a fever reducer such as Acetaminophen or Ibuprofen) with **no vomiting or diarrhea** for a minimum of 24hrs, and **no sore throat, persistent coughing, or rashes**. Children with runny noses will be asked to stay home if the **discharge is colored**. If antibiotics have been prescribed, a minimum of 24 hours on the medication is required before returning to the classroom.

In keeping with our school policy, please be sure to call the school if your child comes down a communicable disease such as Covid-19, influenza, norovirus, strep throat, croup, pink eye, etc. so we can inform parents to watch for symptoms. In addition, you will need to contact us if your child has been exposed to a positive or presumptive case of COVID-19.

Teachers will be monitoring children upon arrival and during the school day. If your child becomes ill during class, you will be called and asked to pick up your child. **While your child is attending class, please answer phone calls or text from your teachers or school office.** If called, thank you for promptly picking up your children. Parents should use their best judgment in deciding whether to bring a child to school, who may be ill. Children who do not feel well are not happy at school, even though they may beg you to come to school. Parents who repeatedly bring obviously ill children to school will need to meet with the Directors to discuss their options.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we will follow the instruction of the local health authority, including notifying them of a presumptive case. If your child shows signs of COVID-19, we suggest you also contact your health care provider for guidance.

We will always try to reach a parent or legal guardian if there is an emergency involving your child. If your child is involved in an accident that we feel is serious, we will call 911 which sends a rescue truck (paramedics) and ambulance. If the determination is made that emergency care is needed at a hospital, the ambulance will transport your child to an emergency room for treatment.

We will not have school if we have an outbreak and do not have enough staff to conduct a class or classes, per the Parent Handbook.

All medications (such as Benedryl or Epi-pens) will be stored in the office. Parents will need to fill out a medication action plan and bring the medication in the original box with instructions for administering the drug.

These are steps that are being taken at school to reduce exposure to germs:

- Washing hands with soap and water for 20 seconds upon arrival, before and after snacks, and after using the bathroom.
- All hard surfaces will be cleaned before children arrive, during class as needed, and after class (tables, shelves, counters, light switches, drinking fountain). Classrooms will be professionally cleaned each night.
- Children will be assigned to a stable group (pod) of classmates with the same assigned teachers.
- Staff, adults, and Kindergarten children will wear masks. Masks are optional for 3's and Pre-K children.
- All hard-surface toys will be sprayed after class with bleach water.
- We will insist that sick teachers stay home as well.

Thank you for your help in supporting our efforts to ensure that our classrooms are healthy environments!

I have read the Health and Wellness Policy and agree to all terms.

Parent or Guardian

Date