

COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan

St. Paul's Preschool & Child Care Center

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Facilities Cleaning, Sanitizing, Disinfecting and Ventilation

Considerations	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by children (i.e., restrooms, drinking fountains, and hallways)	<p>Classrooms will be thoroughly cleaned, surfaces disinfected, and toys washed.</p> <p>When possible classroom doors and windows will remain open for ventilation. If air conditioning is in use the vents will remain open.</p> <p>Throughout the day, routine cleaning will be intensified. Surfaces and toys will be sanitized between uses, including, but not limited to tables, chairs, cubbies, and high touch surfaces such as doorknobs and light switches.</p> <p>Rooms will be disinfected utilizing a portable electric sprayer regularly when not in use.</p>

Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols

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<p>Classroom/learning space occupancy that allows for separation among children and staff throughout the day, to the maximum extent feasible</p> <p>Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings, and serving meals in alternate settings such as classrooms</p> <p>Hygiene practices for children and staff including the manner and frequency of hand-washing and other best practices</p> <p>Posting signs, in highly visible locations, that promote everyday protective measures, and how to stop the spread of germs</p> <p>Handling playground and gross motor activities consistent with CDC Guidances.</p> <p>Limiting the sharing of materials among children</p> <p>Staggering the use of communal spaces and hallways</p> <p>Adjusting transportation schedules and procedures to create social distance between individuals.</p> <p>Limiting the number of individuals in classrooms and other learning spaces, and interactions between groups of children</p>	<p>Social distancing will be encouraged during classroom activities.</p> <p>Lunches will be eaten in the classroom. Playground and hallway usage will be staggered and activities (such as music) will be held in the classroom.</p> <p>During nap time cots will be distanced and children placed head to toe. Cots will be sanitized following each use and bedding will be stored in individual bags in each child's cubby. Bedding will be sent home to be laundered weekly.</p> <p>Children and staff will practice high frequency hand washing throughout the day.</p> <p>Signs describing protective measures to prevent the spread of germs and COVID-19 symptoms will be posted throughout the building.</p> <p>Whenever possible, materials will be limited to single children or one-time usage and cleaned/sanitized between uses.</p> <p>Staffing in each room will be as consistent as possible.</p> <p>Drop off and pick up will occur outside the building. The person dropping off/picking will be required to park and accompany the child(ren) to their designated door. Unvaccinated individuals dropping off/picking up must wear masks. Ideally, the same parent or designated individual will drop off and pick up every day. If this is not possible, the number of individuals to drop off and pick up should be limited to as few as possible.</p> <p>Families will be notified if an activity (such as optional enrichment classes) incorporates children from multiple groups.</p>

Monitoring Student and Staff Health

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<p>* Monitoring children and staff for symptoms and history of exposure</p> <p>* Isolating or quarantining children, staff, or visitors if they become sick or demonstrate a history of exposure</p> <p>* Returning isolated or quarantined staff, children, or visitors to school</p> <p>Notifying staff, families, and the public of school closures and within-school- year changes in safety protocols</p>	<p>Children and staff will have their temperatures taken prior to entering the building. Any individual who has a fever of 100.0 or above or other signs of illness will not be admitted to the building.</p> <p>Therapists/IU personnel providing services according to IEP's will be treated as staff and screened upon arrival.</p> <p>Staff and children's health will continue to be monitored throughout the day. Any child or staff member with a fever of 100.0 or higher or who shows signs of illness will be isolated, required to wear a mask if possible, and sent home. Parents are required to be available (or have a designated individual) to pick up within 30 minutes.</p> <p>Any child or staff with a temperature or symptoms of COVID-19 will be excluded until fever free and symptom free without medication for 72 hours. Anyone who has had exposure with an individual who has tested positive or has been presumed positive for COVID-19 will be expected to self-quarantine for a period of 10 days based on the CDC guidance. All Staff and parents are required to report any symptoms or potential exposure to the office. If an individual has been tested for COVID-19 they cannot attend/return until the test has been confirmed negative. If an individual tests positive for COVID-19, they may not return for at least 10 days <u>and</u> until symptoms have improved <u>and</u> fever free for 72 hours without medication and with proof of a negative test result. Confirmed cases of COVID-19 will be reported to the DHS, and the PA Department of Health.</p> <p>Should a positive case be confirmed within the facility families will be notified. All individuals in the class in which the confirmed outbreak occurred will be asked to self-quarantine for 14 days during which the class will be suspended.</p> <p>Changes to this plan, strategies, and protocols, as well as closing or schedule changes will be communicated via website, email, & social media as well as individual phone calls when necessary.</p>

Other Considerations for Children and Staff

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<p>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by all staff</p> <p>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by older children (as appropriate)</p> <p>Unique safety protocols for children with complex needs or other vulnerable individuals</p> <p>Protecting children's and staff at higher risk for severe illness</p>	<p>Any individual entering the building must wear a face mask. Visitors will be restricted with all deliveries taking place outside the building.</p> <p>All staff will wear masks or face shields.</p> <p>All children, 24 months old or older, will be required to wear a mask as indicated by PA state mandates provided by the Department of Human Services, Pennsylvania Department of Education, and the State of Pennsylvania. All children will be required to have a minimum of 2 parent provided face masks each day which must be taken home and laundered daily.</p> <p>All staff and children must have a current health assessment on file and must communicate any risk factors to the administration.</p> <p>All staff will receive on-going training and information regarding cleaning and safe practices in response to COVID-19.</p>