

Health Policy

Parents are asked not to send their children to Child Care/Preschool if they have any of the following conditions:

Sore Throat

Lice

Strep Infection

Temperature

Enlarged Glands

Earache

Congestion

Nausea & Vomiting

Diarrhea

Staph Infection

Skin Rash (unknown)

Inflamed Eyes

Nose/Eye Discharge

Any Contagious Conditions

If a child has any of the above symptoms, parents are to keep their child home until the symptoms have disappeared or until a doctor allows the child to return to child care/preschool. This will help prevent the spread of disease to others and the possibility of children coming down with the original infection again.

If your child is too sick to go outside they are too sick to come to school. Our staff will make arrangements to stay in with your child if you have a doctor's note requesting that the child stay inside.

If children have been exposed to anything contagious or unusual while in the building, a written "MEDICAL ALERT" will be posted on the classroom doors and on the parent bulletin board.

While at the center, the parent or legal guardian will be called to pick up the child if he/she exhibits signs of being ill.

Children showing signs of being ill will be separated from the other children until he/she can go home. Anything the ill child touches will be cleaned and disinfected.

Children will have on file a health appraisal, signed by a physician, 30 days after admission to the program, renewable every year until the child is school age. Every year thereafter, the parent will sign a statement of good health for the child.

Before the child's first day in the program, the parent will present an updated shot record to the director.

Staff and children will wash their hands before touching food, after using the washroom, after blowing their nose and when dirty.

The director will call Berrien County Health Department or Southwestern Medical Clinic for advice concerning illnesses.

Any contagious conditions will be reported to the Health Department, weekly.