

## **SICK POLICY**

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT JUMPSTART CHILD ERICHMENT CENTER FOLOWS ALL CURRENT CDC, DCF, AND ALL LOCAL AND FEDERAL COVID-19 GUIDELINES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN AND STAFF MEMBERS.

An informal health inspection as each child arrives as well as throughout the day is a part of the daily routine of the center. However, we advise custodial parent/legal guardian to inform staff members of any existing conditions upon arrival for the day (i.e. fever, sore throat, rash, hives, vomiting, diarrhea, insect bites, or any bumps & bruises sustained at home, etc...). If an existing injury, minor or otherwise is found upon inspection of any child custodial parent/legal guardian will be notified immediately upon inspection. Photographs will be taken of all injuries minor or otherwise and forwarded to custodial parent/legal guardian. All Incident/Accident Reports inclusive of Photographs will be maintained in each child's folder located in the Main Office.

FEVER is a sign of infection. Please DO NOT send your child to school with a fever (low-grade or high)!!!

If your child/children will not be attending the center due to illness, please take a moment to contact us and let us know. This allows us to keep a watchful eye for other children who may be exhibiting "like" symptoms. It also allows us to promote a healthy environment by posting required notices for the benefit of all families.

If a child over the age of 3 months (12 weeks) becomes ill while in the care of the center, such as temperature of 101.5 (F) or above, rash, hives, vomiting or diarrhea, measures will be taken to make the child as comfortable as possible. If the child is younger than 3 months (12 weeks) and has a temperature of 100.4°F (38.0°C) or higher, which is considered a fever as per the American Academy of Pediatrics the custodial parent/legal guardian will be contacted immediately and informed of the child's condition. If they are unavailable, then the emergency/alternate contact will be notified.

For the well being of the child as well as the health of the other children and staff members in the center, it is mandatory that the ill child be picked up immediately once custodial parent/guardian has been contacted.

Any child that has an increased risk for chronic physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional condition MUST have a current Emergency Care Plan on file with the center to be included in the child's file.

NOTE: If your child has a communicable disease (i.e. COVID-19, Pink Eye, Ring Worm, Influenza Type A, Strep Throat, Measles, Chicken Pox, Hand-Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Fifth Disease, Roseola, or any Viral Infection, etc...) you will be asked to follow the Public Health Rules & Guidelines regarding the incubation period for each illness and/or isolation. A doctor's certificate will be required upon re-entry into center.

Thank you for your continued cooperation

Jumpstart Administration