

Grandma's House

COVID-19: Health and Safety Policy Amendment (Rev. 6/6/2022)

The safety and well-being of all staff, children, and the families at Grandma's House continues to be of utmost importance to us. We will always commit to taking all precautions toward keeping children and staff safe and healthy, especially during this COVID-19 outbreak. Families who fail to follow these guidelines will be dismissed from Grandma's House immediately.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 should not come to Grandma's House if they are still under quarantine. This includes individuals dropping off/picking up children.
- Children who develop signs/symptoms of COVID-19 while at the program will be immediately separated from others and the program staff will contact the family member and/or emergency contact to pick the child up.
- We encourage families to practice frequent handwashing at home.
- Grandma's House will practice handwashing upon arrival to the program, before meals and snacks, after outdoor play, after using the bathroom, prior to going home, after nose blowing or assisting a child with blowing their nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with tissues, throw tissues in the trash, and clean hands with soap and water.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at least daily, including tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.

Children and Staff will be monitored for signs or symptoms of COVID-19 daily. **Children and Staff will be asked to stay home or return home if any of the following applies:**

- Have a fever.
 - If fever is due to normal childhood conditions, such as teething or getting shots, child may return when fever free without the use of medication. A doctor's note may be required to return to the center.
 - If fever is due to other diagnosed contagious condition (e.g., strep throat), child/staff may return in accordance with [Childhood Communicable Diseases](#) Criteria. A doctor's note may be required to return to the center.
 - If fever is due to other diagnosed non-contagious condition (e.g., ear infection), child/staff may return when fever free without the use of medication. A doctor's note may be required to return to the center.
 - For all other cases, please contact your local health department. Child/staff may return after they have been released from quarantine by their local health department.
- Have been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting results.
 - If results are negative, Children and Staff may return to Grandma's House.
 - If results are positive, Children and Staff may return after they have been released by their local public health department.
 - The local public health department and the Department of Children and Families (DCF) will be contacted.
 - Grandma's House will post and notify staff and families of any confirmed staff or child cases of COVID-19 that affect staff or children at the center.

If we require any child to quarantine, we will credit your tuition. This is an exception to our normal Sick Policy. Rest assured that we will work with all families to ensure the health and safety of everyone at our centers.