

KinderCare Academy

Sick Child Policies

Effective _____

This is a **well child** childcare facility. This means that if your child is not feeling well, for any reason, you will need to find alternate care. Control of communicable illness among children is a prime concern. Policies and guidelines related to outbreaks of communicable illness in **KinderCare Academy** have been developed with the help of the Health Department and our Staff Nurse. In order to protect the entire group of children, as well as your own child, we ask that parents assist us by not bringing their child if he/she has a contagious illness or exhibits any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 100°4F under the arm
- Signs of a newly developing cold or severe coughing/sneezing
- Vomiting, in excess of typical infant spit-ups or upset stomach
- Diarrhea (1)
- Conjunctivitis ("pink eye")
- Unusual or unexplained loss of appetite, fatigue, irritability, or headache
- Consistent complaints of ear or stomach pain
- Bleeding other than minor cuts and scrapes
- A communicable disease (measles, mumps, chicken pox, etc.)
- Excessive colored discharge from eyes or nose, indicating possible infection
- Head lice
- Unexplainable rash

In general, if your child is too sick to go outside and play, then your child is too sick to attend childcare. If your child becomes ill during daycare, you will be phoned at work and asked to pick your child up immediately.

If your child has a common cold (slight cough, sneezing, clear runny nose and/or a temperature below _____ degrees) your child may attend daycare. However, if your child reaches a point when he/she requires constant attention, will not play, cries continuously, whines and wants to be held constantly, then your child will need to stay home.

Please dispense all medications at home whenever possible. For times when this is not possible, an **Administration of Medication Form** must be filled out in order for us to dispense any medications. **All** prescription *and* over-the-counter medications must be in their original container(s), and prescriptions must display the pharmacist's label with the doctor's name. If you have any questions, please feel free to discuss them with us

Signatures below indicate acknowledgement of receipt of this form and agreement to adhere to these policies. Failure to abide by these policies could be grounds for termination of childcare services, forfeiture or childcare retainer, or both.

Father/Guardian's Signature	Date
Mother/Guardian's Signature	Date
KinderCare Academy	Date

Kindergarten Academy