Agape' Learning Center Childcare Illness/Cleaning Policy

The program shall not admit children who are ill upon arrival. During the CoVid-19 pandemic temperature will be taken at the door. Parents will be asked to stay during temperature checks. No child or staff member will be admitted with a temperature of 100.4 or has symptoms of illness. Parents must take their child home if they are ill or have a temperature of 100.4

If a child in our program has a close family member such as a sibling or parent with a fever or any other symptoms of CoVid-19, that child must stay at home. The well child may return when a diagnosis is made and it is deemed safe for the child to return to class.

If a child becomes ill during the day, caregivers shall immediately isolate the child from other children and notify the parent to arrange for other immediate care of the child.

Our caregivers shall directly observe and supervise all children who are ill until they leave the child care program,

The program may not readmit children who exhibit symptoms of the illness for which they were excluded until they are fever free for 72 hours (without medicine) and symptoms have improved.

The child care program shall make every effort to control the spread of communicable diseases and shall establish written health policies and precautions.

In most cases meals will be served in classrooms instead of the cafeteria. Summer Campers, K5, All-day K4 and Room 16 daycare children will eat in the gym.

We will not participate in family style meals and we will practice social distancing during meal times, ideally 6 feet apart. We will strive to maintain the same unit (group) of children during meal times as well.

Prior to any meal service, all children will utilize hand washing or sanitizing to ensure safe eating practices.

Our child care program shall make every effort to control the spread of communicable diseases and shall establish written health policies and precautions. *Age grouping policies apply at all times throughout the day. This includes both inside and outside activities. Group size requirements found in Indiana Administrative Code (IAC) 470 are required to be followed. Our individual programs grouping policies must be followed. Limit the mixing of units, such as staggering playground times and keeping units separate for special activities such as art, music, and exercising.

We will clean the child care facility daily. We will keep the child care facility in a sanitary condition at all times. Sanitize toys, furniture, and other equipment used by children, weekly and when they become soiled or contaminated. Wash all soiled items prior to sanitization.

Staff shall not do major cleaning, except for spills after meals and art projects, while children are present in the area being cleaned. Staff shall sanitize cots daily after each use. Staff may sanitize cots weekly if the same child uses the same cot each day. If staff sanitizes cots weekly, they shall clearly identify assigned cots.

All food preparation surfaces and eating surfaces shall be sanitized. All articles that are used by infants or toddlers shall be sanitized daily and whenever soiled. All articles an infant chews on shall be sanitized after each child's use. Caregivers shall sanitize pacifiers when contaminated. Staff shall sanitize all cribs as often as necessary and at least daily.

The building used for child care programs shall at all times be maintained in a clean, safe, and sanitary condition and be in a good state of repair.

When diapering children caregivers shall do the following:

- Wash hands with soap and warm water and dry with disposable paper towel
- Gather needed supplies and place on diapering area
- Spread wax paper on changing table covering the entire length and width of the pad If gloves are used put on gloves after placing the child on the changing table
- Release the soiled diaper Place soiled diaper and wax paper into a plastic bag
- Wash the child's bottom
- Remove gloves if used
- Place clean diaper on child
- Wash the child's hands
- Take the child to a safe area where he or she can be supervised
- The diapering waste is disposed of in a tightly covered, plastic-lined waste container
- Sanitize diaper changing pad and table
- Wash hands with soap and warm water and dry with disposable paper towel Additional diapering requirements can be found in Indiana Administrative Code (IAC) 470 and must be followed.

As a child care provider we shall provide for a safe environment by ensuring that no conditions exist in or on the grounds of the facility where the provider operates a child care program that would endanger the health, safety, or welfare of the children.

Infants, toddlers, and their teachers should have multiple changes of clothes on hand in the child care. Child care providers should change children's clothes if secretions are on the child's clothes.

Contaminated clothes should be placed in a plastic bag and sent home or washed in a washing machine.

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During the COVID-19/or other Pandemic, Hand Sanitizers are temporarily acceptable products