



## **Two by Two Christian Preschool's**

### **SICKNESS POLICY ADDENDUM**

**THE POLICY LISTED IN THE PARENT HANDBOOK FOR SICKNESS IS STILL IN EFFECT.**

**THE FOLLOWING SICKNESS POLICY IS BEING ADDED DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS.**

If you or your child has a fever of 100.4 or above OR two (2) or more of the following symptoms, stay home until you have a negative COVID-19 test or your doctor releases you to return to preschool.

- Diarrhea
- Aches/Fatigue
- Cough or Sore Throat
- Shortness of Breath
- Sudden Loss of Taste or Smell
- Headache

Parents will be required to sign a statement to certify their compliance with the Two by Two Christian Preschool Illness Policy.

### **PROTOCOL FOR STUDENTS/STAFF WHO EXHIBIT ILLNESS**

If a student or staff member has a temperature of 100.4 or above (taken axillary or with an infrared thermometer) OR show signs of illness listed above at school, that individual will be isolated immediately and sent home. The student/staff member will not be permitted to return to campus until they have met ONE of the following criteria:

- Documentation of a negative COVID-19 test is provided to the school
- Documentation that the individual has been cleared by a doctor to return to school OR
- The individual self-quarantines at home for at least 14 days from the onset of symptoms and has been fever free and symptom free (with NO fever medication) for 72 hours.

To avoid an unnecessary self-quarantine and to provide information for others who may have been exposed to the potentially infected individual, it is strongly encouraged that a COVID-19 test be conducted any time a potential case of COVID-19 is suspected. To ensure greater accuracy in test results, COVID-19 testing should be performed at least 48 hours after exposure.

## **PROTOCOL FOR POSITIVE COVID-19 RESULTS**

If a student or staff member TESTS POSITIVE for COVID-19, that individual will not be permitted to return to campus until they have met ALL 3 of the following criteria:

- Fever free and fever medication free for 72 hours and
- Resolution of upper respiratory infection, cough, and shortness of breath symptoms and
- At least 10 days have elapsed since symptoms began (or date of positive COVID-19 test if asymptomatic)

## **PROTOCOL FOR POSITIVE COVID-19 RESULTS WITHIN A HOUSEHOLD**

If an individual within a student's household tests positive for COVID-19, family members within that household will not be permitted to return to campus until they have met the following criteria:

- Documentation of a negative COVID-19 test provided to the school or
- Documentation that the individual has been cleared by a doctor to return to school or
- The individual self-quarantines at home for at least 14 days from the onset of symptoms and has been fever and symptom free (with no fever medication) for 72 hours

## **RESPONSE TO EXPOSURE OR POTENTIAL COVID-19 CASE**

### **ON-CAMPUS EXPOSURE:**

Any student, while at the preschool, who has a fever of 100.4 or above or two or more of the symptoms listed above will be placed in isolation until their parent/guardian can pick up. The child must be picked up within 30-45 minutes of the initial call. Staff members with a potential case of COVID-19 will be directed to leave campus. The remaining staff will be notified and all desks, chairs, toys, carpets, etc. will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized.

### **GENERAL EXPOSURE:**

If a student or staff member has come in direct contact with someone confirmed to have COVID-19 in the past 14 days, the student or staff member needs to be monitored every day for the symptoms listed above. The person(s) may need to be quarantined or tested if directed to do so by the Knox County Health Department or if guidelines change.

If the potentially exposed student or staff member has a fever of 100.4 or above or two or more of the symptoms listed above, they need to stay at home until they have a negative COVID-19 test, or the doctor releases them to return to school (note needed). If the potentially exposed student or staff member is not presenting a fever of 100.4 or two or more of the symptoms listed above, they may return to school with regular monitoring detailed above.

## **RESPONSE TO CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19 ON CAMPUS**

If there is confirmation that a person infected with COVID-19 was on campus, Two by Two Christian Preschool will notify the parents of students who may have been exposed. Parents of a potentially exposed student need to monitor their child for the symptoms listed above.

If the potentially exposed student has a fever of 100.4 or above or two or more of the symptoms listed above, they need to stay at home until they have a negative COVID-19 test or their doctor releases them to return to school.

If the potentially exposed student is not presenting a fever of 100.4 or two or more of the symptoms listed above, they may return to school with regular monitoring detailed above.

The identity of the individual who tested positive for COVID-19 will remain anonymous in all communication to the Two by Two community. However, the individual may need to be identified for contact tracing by the Knox County Health Department.

## **CLEANING AND SAFETY PROCEDURES**

Two by Two Christian Preschool will continue to take into consideration all federal, state, and local recommendations relative to COVID-19 health and safety guidelines. In addition to our normal cleaning and safety practices, the following will also occur:

- Increased frequency in cleaning high touch areas including doors and bathrooms
- Increase in regular handwashing and use of hand sanitizer will be encouraged
- Toys cannot be brought into the center from home
- All blankets, fitted crib sheets and bed buddies will stay in the center and cannot go home
- All blankets, fitted crib sheets, and bed buddies will be washed at least weekly
- All items in the room will be sanitized at least bi-weekly
- There will not be any visiting/lunch/parties where family attend until further notice

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Your signature and date are proof that you have read the addition to the sickness policy at Two by Two Christian Preschool and agree to abide by them. Failure to follow these guidelines will result in expulsion of the student.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian AND Printed Name

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Date