



## BREEZY POINT DAY SCHOOL CURRENT COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Dear Parents,

We are very excited to welcome our families back to Breezy Point for our 2020-2021 school year. Our first priority as always is the safety and well-being of the children, families and our staff. Due to the COVID-19 situation we have modified and enhanced our procedures in order to take precautions and to provide an appropriate environment for children and staff.

The following policies and procedures are continually being evaluated and updated based upon the latest recommendations from local and state licensing agencies. They may change as we navigate through the current best practices as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Upon arrival, all children will be given a daily health assessment before being permitted to enter the building. Health screening will include temperature taking and symptom checking, which will be logged by the staff at arrival. Any child with a fever of 100.4 degrees or higher or showing signs of illness will be sent home. Symptoms of COVID-19 can include: cough, fever, breathing difficulty, loss of taste or smell, headache, muscle aches, chills, sore throat, diarrhea, nausea, runny nose and fatigue. Please be sure to evaluate your child's health **BEFORE** leaving your home. Children (and staff) must stay at home if they are ill. ***PLEASE NOTE: Children must be fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medication for a period of 72 hours before returning to school.*** If your child becomes ill during the day, he/she will be isolated and the Director will contact the parent who must pick up the child and take him/her home. You will then call your family physician to discuss symptoms and what the next step will be. If any staff member or child tests positive for COVID-19, we are required to contact the Bucks County Department of Health and they will advise Breezy Point as to what the next steps will be. If a family member of a child or staff tests positive for COVID-19, the child or staff member **MUST** quarantine at home for 14 days before returning to school.
  
- Daily cleaning and disinfecting will occur in all areas of our facility. Sanitizing will be done with disinfecting cleaner and used according to manufacturer's instructions.
  - Communal spaces on a daily basis
  - Shared items or equipment between uses, including playground equipment
  - Frequently touched surfaces multiple times per day
  - Teachers will limit the sharing of materials among children.
  
- Children and staff will be reminded frequently to wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds at the following times:
  - Upon arrival
  - Before eating
  - After eating
  - Before going outside to a play area and when they return after playing outside.
  - After touching frequently touched surfaces
  - After using restroom
  - After coughing, sneezing or blowing nose

**As per Pennsylvania's order requiring protective face coverings:**

- Staff and Children (over the age of two) will be required to wear face coverings to school. Children will have times when they do not need to wear a face covering, such as eating, drinking, rest time, outside play, or when social distancing can be accomplished. Please do not wait until the day before school starts to “practice” wearing a face mask with your child. Have him/her wear it for an hour at a time to get used to it. We appreciate your help!

**Drop-off and pick-up procedures:**

- Ideally, the same parent or designated person should drop off and pick up your child each day.
- Staff will greet your child (full day children) at the classroom door to conduct the daily health screening. Parents will not be permitted inside the classroom.
- Half-day children will be health-screened at the car during the scheduled drop-off time for each class.
- Staff will keep a daily record of each child's health screening as well as date, time and who is picking up or dropping off the child.

**Social distancing in the classroom:**

- Social distancing our young friends is a bit different in a child care setting. Children will be placed in the same class every day with the same teachers and assistants. Groups will have very limited co-mingling with other classrooms and social distancing will be practiced throughout the day, especially during snack, lunch and rest time. Two classes in the same building may be combined between 7:00-8:00 A.M. and then at the end of the day, after 4:30 P.M. All special guests, visitors and field trips have been postponed until further notice.
- Bring only the bedding that is needed for rest time from home. Toys, books and stuffed animals will not be permitted. Bedding will go home each Friday for laundering and brought back on the following Monday.
- We have a newly installed washer, dryer and dishwasher in our Cottage, so items soiled at Breezy Point can be cleaned promptly.
- Teachers will rotate materials throughout the day for sanitation and cleaning. No communal crayons, markers, scissors, etc., will be used. Each child will have their own bag of supplies marked with their name.

The only items that will be permitted to be brought from home include the following:

- Diapers (Caterpillars)
- Wipes
- Sippy Cups (Caterpillars only) - will remain at school and will be placed in the dishwasher to be cleaned and sanitized.
- Sunscreen – labeled and medication form filled out
- Medical necessities (Epi-Pens)
- Seasonal clothing “spares” to be labeled and kept at school.
- Sleeping items (blanket, etc.) to go home each Friday for laundering.

***PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME!***

We appreciate your cooperation during this time of change. We will do our very best to ensure your child has a safe, fulfilling and fun day at Breezy Point. Please feel free to call our office with any questions or concerns.

***WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!***