

Ill Child Policy

Any child showing signs or symptoms that may potentially be contagious or affect the health of other persons shall be isolated.

Isolation shall include but not be limited to:

- The child is separated from the rest of the group within sight and sound of a staff member.
- Any child with a fever of 100 degrees or higher shall be sent home and may not return until he or she is fever free for a period of 24 hours without fever reducing medicine.
- The child is kept comfortable until a parent or emergency contact can be reached, as soon as possible after the illness is discovered.
- Kid's Castle has a "no nit" policy. Children that have had lice will be checked for nits (eggs) and will not be allowed to attend the program until no nits are present.

Parent Notification

The following circumstances warrant parent notification (within a reasonable amount of time):

- If a child has been exposed to a communicable disease which has been diagnosed or suspected.
- If a child has an unidentifiable rash.

Parent notification will occur immediately for fevers of 100 degrees or higher, explosive or persistent diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, a rash, or if the child is seriously injured.

Prevention

To prevent these circumstances from occurring, toys are sanitized weekly with a bleach/water solution or disinfectant, and request that children who are ill (or show signs of illness) be kept home whenever possible.

Kid's Castle uses universal precautions when dealing with blood or bodily fluids. Contaminated materials are quickly disposed of in the proper receptacle.

Communicable Diseases

When a child is suspected of having chicken pox, German measles, infectious hepatitis, measles, mumps, poliomyelitis, scarlet fever, whooping cough, diphtheria, meningitis, or other reportable communicable disease, the public health officer shall be notified by the Child Development Association.

Record of Injuries

All accidents and emergency situations that require medical intervention to occur are logged in the Accident/Medical Log books housed in each of the classrooms. These books are reviewed every 6 months by the Director and discussed with the staff.

Accidents and Emergencies

In the event of an accident, the following procedure shall occur:

1. Basic first aid will be administered by an authorized staff member.
2. A parent will be notified. If a parent is unavailable, the emergency contact will be notified.
3. In an emergency situation, 911 will be called.