

VICTORY KIDZ CARE PARENTS HANDBOOK

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www.victorywinchester.com/daycare



Thank you for choosing Victory Kidz Care for your children! We are committed to providing a safe and wonderful environment for children to learn and play. We want to be a positive influence in the life of your child, and as we work together, that will be accomplished.

We will do our absolute best to give your child the loving care and guidance that children need in their early formative and elementary age years. We welcome your child to our program, and we hope the learning experiences here will be happy and wholesome ones.

This handbook has been prepared so that you may know our policies and better understand our expectations. Please know that we always appreciate your comments and constructive criticism. If there is anything you feel would be helpful for us to know, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are all in this together! We are looking forward to a successful and fun experience with your family at Victory Kidz Care.

PHILOSOPHY

Victory Kidz Care is an extension of Victory Church Children's Ministries. It is an outreach into the community for children ages 2-12. Victory Kidz Care is dedicated to the total development of the child including their intellectual, social, physical, and spiritual needs. Our program emphasizes Christian principles, and in this we strive to develop in our children an inquiring mind, good relationships with other people, and a loving awareness of our Heavenly Father.

TEACHERS AND STAFF

Our staff includes competent personnel who are experienced in working with children and willing to give your children the care and attention you want for them. All staff is under direct supervision of Mrs. Kellie Reynolds, Victory Kids Care Director at Victory Church. Please contact her at wKc@victorywinchester.com, if you have any questions or concerns.

Our entire staff completes a background check as required by the Virginia Department of Social Services and all Lead Teachers complete training for CPR, AED and Basic First Aid within their first six months.

PROGRAM PARTICULARS

- 1. Enrollment Options: Please see attached Rate Sheet for details
- 2. Registration Fees: \$40.00 one-time fee per family
- 3. Student/Teacher Ratio: We adhere to strict guidelines as follows:

24 to 36 months - 1 staff to 8 children

3 years to 5 years - 1 staff to 10 children

5 years to 9 years - 1 staff to 20 children

9 years to 12 years - 1 staff to 25 children

We will also have Teacher Aides to assist Lead Teachers in caring for the children.

- 4. Children from 24 months of age to 12 years old are accepted in this program and will be grouped in age-appropriate classes.
- **5. Appointments.** If you would like to schedule an appointment to see the program and/or meet the teachers and aides, please call us at 540-667-9400, ext. 125, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 through 4:00.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Our doors open at **7:00 AM.** Victory Kidz Care has a separate entrance in the back of Victory Church on the second floor at the left-hand side (above the office entrance). We ask that the person bringing your child to daycare will escort him or her all the way to the check in area each morning where we will complete a daily health screening. Our doors will remain locked for the safety of your children. We will be using the Brightwheel App that will enable you to notify us if your drop off or pickup time should change. When picking your child up, you will be asked to sign them out at the check-in desk. Your child will be released only to persons you have listed on the forms. We may require proper identification before we will release a child to someone other than a parent. Victory Kidz Care closes **promptly** at **6:00 PM.**

WHAT EACH CHILD NEEDS

- 1. A backpack or tote bag.
- 2. A <u>seasonal</u> and complete set of extra play clothes to be kept in their backpack. (A marked zip lock bag is perfect).
- 3. A nutritional **Lunch** each day including a drink. (no soda, please)
- 4. Disposable diapers and wipes for toddlers not yet potty trained must be provided by parents.
- 5. Children ages 2 through 6 must bring a top and bottom cover (i.e. cloth nap mat or sleeping bag) for napping that must be taken home weekly for washing. Mats will be provided.

^{***}Note: Please label ALL belongings with your child's name.

VICTORY KIDZ CARE PROGRAM

Our program will utilize many avenues for learning in addition to classroom paperwork. These include art, activities in our gym or on the lawn, drama, language arts, and simple math through structured activities and free play. Younger children will be read to regularly and older children provided with a quiet time for reading daily.

Curriculum: Through the experience of our teachers, we prepare daily time for learning to best meet the needs of each age group. Our curriculum is age appropriate and contains a good balance of playtime as well as structured work time.

We will provide a quiet area for children needing to engage in virtual learning and will offer assistance when possible for completing school assignments.

As an extension of our Children's Ministries, we will share Bible stories, times of praise and worship and prayer with the children encouraging them to have a personal relationship with God.

POLICIES

- 1. **Birth Certificate:** Due to our State Certification, we need to see an <u>original</u> Birth Certificate, upon initial enrollment, from everyone who registers in our program. You can complete your enrollment forms online and bring the Birth Certificate in separately.
- 2. Toys: Please DO NOT bring toys from home as we will provide toys and equipment in the classrooms.
- 4. Dismissal of a Child: Victory Kidz Care reserves the right to dismiss any child from the program if after enrolling he or she seems unable to participate in group experiences or exhibits consistently poor behavior with no positive improvement. We will be using "time-out" disciplinary measures along with recommendations to parents.
- **5. Fees:** Fees are to be paid weekly or monthly. We ask that you keep your account current at all times. Weekly payments are due on Monday of the week of service. Monthly payments are due on the first day of the month. If your account is not current, your child will not be allowed to return to the daycare.
- 6. Late Pick-up Penalty: If you are late in arriving to pick up your child, we will assess a late charge of \$25.00. If you have an extenuating situation, please call to explain, otherwise, a late charge will be added to your account.
- 7. Calendar Year and Inclement Weather Days: It is our policy to make our own decisions on the opening, closing, or early dismissal of the daycare due to

inclement weather. When it will be necessary to close the program for inclement weather it will be posted on our Facebook pages (Victory Church and Victory Kidz Care) and all teachers will also send a group text message to notify parents of school closings and delays. You will receive a school calendar noting all holidays that Victory Kidz Care will be closed

- 8. Health: It is the policy of our program to not allow any child who has not been properly immunized. This is a safeguard for every child. We also REQUIRE that you keep your child home when he or she has a fever, persistent cough, cold, or other contagious disease or situation. Notify the teacher when your child must be absent for a prolonged period of time or has a contagious disease. We require a copy of your child's immunization record before they can begin attending daycare. We strictly adhere to guidelines set forth by the Virginia Department of Health.
- 9. Safety: It is of utmost importance that all children are held by the hand or carried from your vehicle to the church building, and from the church building back to your vehicle. ABSOLUTELY NO CHILDREN SHALL BE ON THE PARKING LOT INDEPENDENTLY. Children running or walking alone on the parking lot shall be grounds for immediate dismissal of the child from Victory Kidz Care.
 - 10. Facebook/media: Victory Kidz Care does have a Facebook page to promote our daycare to the community and share information with parents regarding our program. Parents must annually notify Victory Kidz Care in writing if they do not want the school or the media to have access to their child's image, voice recordings or other similar identifying information during the day operations; otherwise, we will be deemed to have been given permission for publication and/or broadcast of these images, voice recordings, other similar identifying information, and work by the daycare and media.
 - 11. **Brightwheel:** This is a program for your phone, tablet or desktop that we use to invoice, receive payments, check children in and out, log activities for the day and communicate with parents. Upon registration, parents will receive an invitation to join Brightwheel. Once the account is set up, parents can find their check in code under "Settings." Parents may adjust their settings and how they receive information (text or email). Parents and Guardians may not share check in/out codes. These are individually assigned so that we may log who is dropping off/picking up. If someone other than the parents are picking up, staff will check the children in and out and note who picked up.

Parents are encouraged to communicate with teachers through Brightwheel. Please be aware that our first priority is the child, so the staff may wait until quiet time or a break to reply if the matter is not urgent.

12. We reserve the right to make any necessary changes or additions to these policies. You will be properly notified if that should occur.

Victory Kidz Care Rates and Fees

(effective January 3, 2022)

Toddlers (18 – 35 months)

	Full Day	Half Day (4.5 hrs max)
5 days/wk	\$184	\$142
4 days/wk	\$168	\$116
3 days/wk	\$142	\$84
2 days/wk	\$116	\$63
1 day/wk	\$63	\$37

3's (36 months – 47 months)

Full Day	Half Day (4.5 hrs max)
\$168	\$118
\$152	\$96
\$130	\$72
\$100	\$51
\$55	\$29
	\$168 \$152 \$130 \$100

4's (48 months – 60 months)

	Full Day	Half Day (4.5 max)
5 days/wk	\$163	\$110
4 days/wk	\$147	\$89
3 days/wk	\$126	\$68
2 days/wk	\$95	\$47
1 day/wk	\$53	\$26

Kindergarten – 5th Grade

Full Day \$32

After School Program (3 hour max)

5 days/wk \$62 4 days/wk \$53 3 days/wk \$42 2 days/wk \$37 1 day/wk \$22

PARENTAL AGREEMENT

As the parent or legal guar		
I have read, understand, as Care Parents Handbook.	nd agree to the poli	cies set forth in this Victory Kidz
temperature checked and to off for the day. All parents	to undergo a health are required to ma ble, and no more tha	uiring all children to have their screening prior to being dropped ke sure that their child will be an one hour, should they be
diagnosed with a contagiou	s condition within 2	ld or anyone in the household is 24 hours of diagnosis or by the threatening disease which must
applied for payments recei up on a monthly payment s will be applied for paymen	ved after close of b schedule, payment v ts received after the	ek of service. A late fee will be usiness on Monday. If you are set will be due on the 1st. A late fee e 3 rd day of the month. No e center must close for snow or
The following must be subrompleted enrollment packacknowledgement and \$40	ket, parental agreer	
Start Date:		
Child's Birthdate:		-
Child's Schedule (Days and	hours attending):	
Payment Schedule:	Weekly	Monthly
Parent's Signature:		Date:
Printed Name:		

Religiously Exempt Child Day Centers Model Form

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Code of Virginia, Section 63.2-1716, allows child day centers operated by religious institutions the opportunity to file for an exemption from licensure by meeting documentation and other requirements specified within the religious exemption law. The statements below have been prepared and distributed to meet the requirements of the religious exemption law.

RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

In compliance with the Code of Virginia, Section 63.2-1716, this Center is religiously exempt from licensure and is classified as a "religiously exempt child day center."

QUALIFICATIONS OF PERSONNEL (Check appropriate response)
Attached are position descriptions of staff presently employed with the Center.
Staff position descriptions are posted for your review.
DESCRIPTION OF FACILITIES
The Center is located at Victory Church, 2870 Middle Rd, Winchester, VA 2260
The size of the building is 59,575 Sq.ff
The number of rooms used for the Center is 20 plus gym and rec room.
The kitchen facilities are not available for use by the Center. But are not needed
Play equipment consist(s) of playground balls, trikes, cars, houses with slides
and age appropriate climbing areas
other significant features of the facilities (IF any) include: gym area; large Rec room (45×33) for games movies, etc.
ENROLLMENT/CAPACITY The maximum number of children that the Center will enroll is 225 Wictory Kidz Care -145 Rainbow Express - 80 The maximum number
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FOOD SERVICE	(Check appro	priate response)	

consist(s) of t	the following:
	hot breakfast
	cold breakfast
	combination (hot/cold) breakfast
	mid-morning snack Pre-Pockaged cereals, crackers, breakfast bars, etc.
	hot lunch
	cold lunch
	afternoon snack Pre-packaged individual snack Hems

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR STAFF

Staff employed at the Center MUST be certified by a practicing physician to be free from any disability which would prevent them from caring for children. Documentation is on file at the Center.

PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Center is is not covered by public liability insurance which provides coverage in the event that someone brings suit for personal or bodily harm suffered during the operation of the Center as a result of negligence.

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