# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The strain of coronavirus currently in the news and causing such serious health concern is COVID-19 (the new coronavirus), initially called 2019nCoV. We understand from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control that this strain spreads easily and can be fatal, most often in the elderly and those with weakened immune systems.

We are continuing to monitor the rapidly evolving public health situation around COVID-19, the new coronavirus.

For the latest information from the CDC, please visit:

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

## **CCYL Preschool Policy**

CCYL will provide childcare to all working parents. Our hours during this time will be 6:30-6:00 pm.

#### \*\*\*It is the responsibility of the parents to notify the school immediately if you or your child has or have been exposed to COVID-19.

Exposure includes being within 6 feet for 15 minutes or longer with a person who is displaying symptoms of illness or has been confirmed to have Covid-19. According to the center for disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another through respiratory droplets produced by an infected person.

Each Child must have signed a COVID Policy agreement in order for your child to attend school. Please see attached.

#### Parents

Please inform the preschool office as soon as possible if you, or any family member in your household, has traveled or has plans to travel to or from anywhere outside of the United States.

#### Precautionary Measures

The health and well-being of our families and staff are our highest priorities. In the interest of limiting the opportunity for transmission we are taking the following precautionary measures:

- Returning Travelers Any individual returning from anywhere outside the United States must remain out of the center for 14 days after returning to the U.S. This includes any individual with pick-up and/or drop-off privileges at the school. If, at the end of this 14-day period, the traveler has not experienced any symptoms, a return to the school is allowed. If the traveler has experienced symptoms, you will need to notify the preschool office and quarantine for 14 days from your first day of symptoms or 2 days prior to your positive Covid test, or obtain proof of a negative COVID-19 test before a return to the school can be allowed.
- Suspected or Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 Any individual with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID 19 must quarantine for 14 days from your first day of symptoms or 2 days prior to your positive Covid test, This includes any individual with pick-up and/or drop-off privileges.
- Close Contacts Individuals in the same household, including individuals who may not live in the household but may be staying there or are otherwise present in the household on a regular basis (e.g. nannies, caregivers, home health workers, contractors, etc.) are considered to be in close contact.
  - Individuals who are in close contact with **Returning Travelers** must also remain out of the center for 14 days after the traveler's return to the U.S. If, at the end of this 14-day period, the traveler has not experienced any symptoms, these individuals may return to the center. If the traveler has experienced symptoms, you will need to notify the preschool office and quarantine for 14 days from the infected persons first day of symptoms or 2 days prior to their positive Covid test,.
  - Any Individuals, who are in close contact with anyone having a suspected/confirmed case of COVID-19, must also remain out of our

center/quarantine for 14 days from the infected persons first symptom. If, at the end of this 14-day period, these individuals have not experienced any symptoms, these individuals may return to the center. If these individuals have experienced symptoms, you will need to notify the preschool office and these individuals will need to remain out of the center for 14 days from their first symptom.

### **Health and Hygiene Practices**

# Policy for Children:

The CDC recommends children 2 and above wear a mask when they are around people who do not live in their household. **However**, Social Services Community Care Licensing governs the licensing of all California childcare/daycares/preschools, and they require that no child be forced to wear a mask as this is a violation of their personal rights. This would be a very serious type A violation that includes a fine. Therefore, CCYL's policy is that if a parent requires their child to wear a mask to school, they may do so. However, CCYL staff will not take responsibility for the child keeping the mask on, nor will any staff member put on or adjust a mask on a child. If the mask becomes unsafe or harmful in any way (chewed on, left on the floors or table, or attempted to be shared with another student), the mask will be discarded or sent home in a plastic bag.

### In the Classroom

All CCYL staff will wear face coverings when it is not possible to social distance. In lieu of wearing a face covering in the classroom, we will do our best to maintain a ratio of 1 teacher and no more than 12 students and will not intermix student groups or staff when at all possible. Teachers who wish to wear a face covering may choose to wear either a mask or a face shield. Our regular health and hygiene practices provide some of the best defenses against the spread of most contagious illnesses. In addition to regular and thorough cleaning of classrooms, surfaces and toys, we teach children good hand-washing practices and ensure that children and staff take important precautions against the spread of germs.

#### Before Coming to School - Morning Health Check Signs to observe:

- General mood and changes in behavior
- Fever, chills, or elevated body temperature
- Skin rashes, unusual spots, swelling, bruises
- Complaints of pain or not feeling well
- Muscle or body aches
- Signs/symptoms of disease (severe coughing, sneezing, breathing difficulties, shortness of breath, fatigue, headache, sore throat, loss of smell or taste, discharge from nose, ears, eyes, diarrhea, vomiting etc.)
- Reported illness in child or family members

## **Drop off/Pick up and Upon Entering the Preschool**

-Each parent or designated Adult will wear a mask when entering the campus & during drop off and pick up.

-Students will be signed in/out daily by the parent-Outside at the sign in table.

-By signing your child in for school, you are agreeing to the fact that you have done a morning health check of your child, and you are sending them to school symptom free.

-Be sure to place dirty pens in the container labeled dirty pens once you've used it.

-A staff person will take your student to and from class each day at those times.

-Each Child will have a morning health check by a member of the staff. Including but not limited to a temperature check.

-Please be aware of and do your best to social distance from any other children, other parents, and staff while on campus.

-Each parent will use hand sanitizer and wear a mask. If you must enter the school.

\*\* All students will be admitted at the discretion of the Preschool Director or Administration. (Updated 12/21/20)