

Procedures for COVID-19

KDO Families,

As we navigate into a new normal, we want to express our sincere appreciation for your support and confidence in our program. We have spent the summer closely monitoring and considering the possibilities for how to re-open in the safest way possible while continuing to provide a nurturing and fun environment for your child. Please read closely the policies and procedures that we currently have in place and be mindful that changes may become necessary as information regarding COVID-19 becomes available.

If you have additional questions or concerns, we encourage you to reach out to us. You may call or text 501-291-9882 or email us at kdo@churchatrockcreek.com

Reduced Class Size

Although our class sizes were already below DHS ratios, we have temporarily reduced the maximum number of children and adults per classroom for the semester. Our toddler rooms will have no more than 6 children and preschool 3 & 4 rooms will have not more than 8 children. The kindergarten class will have no more than 8 children. We will re-evaluate the classroom sizes in December.

Check-in procedures

To limit the exposure risk for children and staff, each classroom will have a designated drop off time and meeting place in the town hall. Kindergarten will have its own entrance. Each child will have their temperature checked and recorded. Parents will be asked a series of screening questions. Children will be escorted to the classroom by their teacher, director, or assistant director. All staff will have their temperatures checked and recorded daily as well as answering a series of screening questions.

Check-out procedures

Each classroom will use the designated meeting place in the town hall for pick up. Classroom pick up times will stagger to reduce the number of people in the building. Classroom teachers will supervise pick up. In the event that you will need to check your child out early, you will need to call the KDO phone at 501-291-9882 to make arrangements with the director/assistant director. We ask that once you pick your child up, you not linger in the building.

Mask policy

All KDO employees will be required to wear a mask when social distancing cannot be achieved during KDO. Children are not required to wear masks. Whether or not a

child will wear a mask will be left to the parent's discretion. Any adult that enters the building during KDO must wear a face covering.

Covid Exposure and Positive Diagnosis Policy

As with our handbook illness policy, we require any child running a fever of 99.5 or higher not attend KDO until they are fever free for 24 hours. Additionally, if you or members of your household come in direct contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19, we ask that you not bring your child to KDO for the 14 day quarantine period. If you or members of your household test positive for COVID-19 we ask that you notify us immediately. In the event that a KDO employee or child tests positive for COVID-19 after attending KDO, the staff and parents of the children from that classroom will be immediately notified. At no time will a classroom be used for any other activities or classes until it has been sanitized from its previous use. If any child in our KDO program tests positive, we will make a decision based on exposure to close either an individual classroom or the program for a two-week period.

Shared Space Policy

Play tubes will not be utilized at this time for KDO. An alternative outdoor space has been created and each classroom will have their own designated times in the outdoor space. Additionally, each classroom will have their own outdoor toy bucket which will be used only by that classroom and sanitized after each use. There will be no large group activities or combining classrooms.

Sanitization Procedures

Naptime sheets will remain at KDO and will be washed daily. Please be sure you label your child's bedding with their names. Cots will be assigned to each child and will not be shared.

Routine cleaning will continue to be high priority for all surfaces. Bathrooms, counters, tables, and center materials will be cleaned throughout the day. If a toy come into contact with a child's mouth, the toy will be placed in a "time out" bucket and not used until properly sanitized.

We are adding additional cleaning measures between program days to ensure that all classrooms are as clean as possible. All cleaning supplies and regimes meet or exceed the CDC and DHS guidelines.