



Ones Classroom Guidelines

We are so honored to have your little one in our class this year! Below is a list of guidelines we ask that you follow to help keep our room orderly and safe. We appreciate you working with us to provide the most functional experience for our class!

Pacifiers Please label all pacifiers. Due to licensing requirements, string pacifier clips or pacifiers with stuffed animals attached are not allowed.

Lunch/Snack We are a ***nut free*** facility. Please do not send any food or drinks with any nuts in them. This includes ***almond milk***. Here are a few guidelines:

- 1 sippy cup.
- *Please no juice boxes as the straws are a choking hazard.*
- Remember to *cut up grapes, hot dogs, and carrots* into bite size pieces to reduce the risk for choking.
- We cannot serve popcorn as this can be a choking hazard.
- Glass containers are *not allowed*. We strongly encourage finger foods for this age or squeeze pouches as we try to teach the children to feed themselves.

To support independence and self-feeding skills, we encourage families to send finger-friendly foods that are easy for toddlers to pick up and eat on their own. Foods such as rice, pasta, spaghetti, noodles, and similar items can be difficult for one-year-olds to manage independently and are not recommended.

Suggested lunch items include bite-sized sandwiches, diced chicken, soft fruits, eggs, cheese cubes, soft pizza cut into small pieces, steamed vegetables, crackers, and other toddler-friendly finger foods.

Please also send a lightweight, toddler-sized sippy cup. Large tumblers and Stanley-style cups can be heavy and difficult for young children to handle safely. Smaller cups help promote independence and create a safer mealtime environment.

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Diapers Please send at least *6 labeled diapers daily* along with diaper cream. Diaper creams must be over the counter (no prescription strength) and must remain in its original

container. We ask that you send diapers with velcro sides as these allow for quick and easy changing.

Extra Clothes We ask that a complete change of clothes including socks, be placed in a large zip lock bag. Please label each item as well as the bag. Remember to replace clothes if they are used and when the seasons change. If your child has clothing that needs washing, we will place it in a disposable bag and tie it on the outside of your child's backpack.

Labeling Some children have identical items, so please remember to label everything. Cups, pacifiers, diapers, nap mats, blankets/loveys, etc.

Folders It is very important that you check your child's folder daily. The folders are our main source of communication. You will receive daily reports, crafts, incident reports if needed and important letters from the office in the folders.

Backpacks Please be sure that your child's backpack is big enough to fit a folder, at least 6 diapers, snack bag, lunch box, and extra change of clothes. Please do not send *any* medications in the backpack, prescription, over the counter or homeopathic remedies.

Napmats Please make sure your child's nap mat is a roll-up mat with the attached pillow. Napmats will be sent home to be washed weekly.

Shoes Please send your child to school with hard soles and closed toe shoes. Do not send crib shoes, these shoes have soft soles and can be slippery while children are learning to walk. Shoes must also be worn at all times.

Incidents – Injuries – Accident - Illness and Behavior Report

Upon

Arrival: LDOE requires that we document any visible marks or injuries observed at drop-off (e.g., bruises, scrapes, bug bites, rashes). Please send or text a brief written explanation to your child's teacher or in their folder to help us properly document the situation.

Late Arrival To ensure children receive the full benefit of our educational program, all students should arrive no later than 10:00 a.m. each day unless prior arrangements have been made with the school office.

We understand that unforeseen circumstances, emergencies, medical appointments, and occasional delays may arise. We ask that families communicate with the school as soon as possible so we can best support your child's transition into the classroom.

The morning hours are a vital part of our school day and include Bible lessons, teacher-directed learning activities, center time, small group instruction, music and movement, outdoor play, and other enrichment experiences.

This guideline is not intended to create additional stress for families but rather to support a consistent learning environment for all children. We appreciate your partnership in

helping us provide a structured, engaging, and successful learning experience for every child