



Oak Park Early Learning Academy

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ILLNESS POLICY

Oak Park Early Learning Academy strives to provide a healthy, sanitized environment for all our children. To strive towards this goal, it is imperative that all families understand we cannot provide care for sick children.

I have read and understand Oak Park Early Learning Academy's illness policy and agree that if my child has any of the following, they will not be allowed to be dropped off. I also understand that if my child presents these symptoms, Oak Park will contact me to pick my child up.

Symptoms:

- A fever of 100° F or higher, axillary;
- A fever of 99° F or higher, axillary, if combined with another sign of illness or if a known illness is occurring in the child care;
- A skin rash that has not been identified by a phone call or in written form from a physician who has seen the rash;
- Infected skin patches;
- Evidence of infection;
- Diarrhea and/or vomit;
- Evidence of head lice, nits, scabies, or another parasite;
- Severe coughing;
- Rapid or difficulty breathing;
- Yellowish skin or eyes;
- Conjunctivitis, a cold in the eye, pink eye or other eye infection;
- Unusually dark urine and/or gray or white stool;
- Sore throat or difficulty swallowing;
- Stiff neck;
- Pain of which child complains and interferes with normal activity;
- Excessive fatigue;
- A moist or open cold sore.

I understand that my child will not be readmitted unless the following occurs:

- With a physician's statement that the child is free from communicable disease and that returning poses no risk to the child or staff.
- Or, is visibly free from communicable disease, fever-free without fever reducing medications for 24 hours and free from vomiting and/or diarrhea for 24 hours while on a normal diet.
- For head lice, children shall only be readmitted after they have had the proper treatment and are free from nits and live bugs. A second treatment must be completed after two weeks. Upon returning to the child care, the child will be checked by our staff during a morning wellness check.

I understand that Oak Park does not have the facility to care for sick children, so I must have a back-up child care plan in the event that my child is sick, as stated in the Parent Handbook.

Additionally, Oak Park Early Learning Academy will be closed every President's Day, in order to allow all staff members to complete a deep cleaning and sanitation of their classrooms and shared spaces in order to reduce illnesses during the peak season.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____