Beyond Alphabets
ADDENDUM TO ILLNESSES.

Current Illness Policy:

NOTE: **Contagious illnesses are never allowed at Beyond Alphabets at any time. Your child must be kept at home or with alternative care during any contagious period of an illness**. Your child will need a doctor's note saying if the child is fit to return to childcare and is no longer a risk to the other children. However, Provider reserves the right to refuse the doctors note if Provider feels the child is still to sick to attend childcare. **Please be familiar with the policies regarding illnesses. There are no deductions in fees any time your child is absent due to illnesses. Fees are still due and payable in full and on time (see fee agreement)**

ADDENDUM:

Corona Virus (COVID-19) Or any highly contagious Virus, Flu, or disease, that puts children, families, and community at risk, and harmful to others will abide by the following procedures. This is during any community or statewide outbreak or epidemic, and anytime it is present in our community. The following procedures will be enforced.

Procedures: **Children who come down even mildly ill, or show symptoms of any of these harmful illness will need to be seen by a doctor and tested to rule out any infection to these types of illnesses and diseases before they allowed back to childcare /preschool. A note on physician's office letter head stating they were tested and cleared of any of these diseases will be required. Provider still reserves the right to refuse admittance and use her own discretion. All precautions must be taken to make sure child is not exposed to anyone you know, or family members that might have any of these harmful illnesses. Children must be kept home and quarantined if exposed to any of these harmful illnesses until it's safe and they are not infected or contagious. If you know anyone or been around anyone that has come down with any of these Diseases, you are to notify your provider. Child Care will remain open during a community outbreak until we are advised to closed by the state or health Dept.**

Children will not be allowed to attend childcare/ Preschool during any community outbreak of harmful diseases if your child has symptoms of any illness including the common cold you will need to keep your child at home until the child has been assessed and cleared. . This means all harmful diseases, viruses, Flu, Corona Virus and etc. that are a threat to the community.

1. Measles, chicken pox, fever over 100 degrees, diarrhea, vomiting, flu, pink eye, Conjunctivitis, impetigo, severe coughing, severe colds, green or yellow mucus discharge From nose or eyes, whooping cough, coupe, head lice, scabies, any type of body rash, (if due to Allergies then bring a doctor's note stating so) TB, meningitis, rubella, Rosella, strep Throat, ring worms, pin worms, anything contagious and transmittable- intestinal worms or Illnesses IF IT CONTAGIOUS THEN IT IS NOT ALLOWED AT CHILD CARE. Any communicable diseases must be reported to the Health Department.

- **48 HOUR POLICY**: Your child must be symptom free for 48 hours before returning to childcare.

This means a child must be fever free -without taking any medications or fever reducers for 48 hours.

- Your child must be able to eat and hold down all fluids for 48 hours prior to returning. Your child must be clear of Diarrhea for 48 hours. All rashes and anything contagious must be gone. (See illnesses in parent Packet)

□ **REPORTING ILLNESSES**: Parents are obligated to report to provider any time the child is ill.

The parent must also report to provider if the child has been exposed to another child or adult with a

Contagious illness. Especially illnesses like Chicken pox. Measles etc., Flu, Corona Virus, that have a 2 week to 3 weeks

Incubation period. **At no time are parents allowed to mask illnesses by giving the child Medications or fever reducers and then bring the child to child care. Masking an illness and Deliberately bringing a child to childcare ill can result in immediate termination.** Always keep in

Mind. Would you want someone to bring a sick child to child care and infect your child?

- IMMUNIZATIONS: According to State mandated laws, all children must be fully immunized which means, currently up to date on all immunizations prior to enrollment and first day of attendance to our childcare. No child can be admitted without proof of immunizations. We will need a copy of your child's original immunization record provided by your Pediatrician. It is the policy of this childcare NOT TO ACCEPT any exemptions on immunizations. Children enrolled will need to continue their immunization as required by law. Failure to keep immunizations up to date will result in the child being suspended from care until all requirements are up to date or dismissed from our program. No exceptions. Fees would still be due during a suspension.

Illness Policies are subject to change at provider's discretion when needed.

- absolutely no fever, not even low-grade fevers accepted.
- runny noses, clear, yellow, or green not accepted.
- Cold Symptoms of any kind need a doctor's release stating it's not harmful and can return, and this note presented is dated. No exceptions.
- Exposure to anyone who has come down with a disease. Children and Families will need to be tested to be sure they are free of contracting the illness, and a doctor's note is required that they are clear. (Always notify provider in any event a child has been exposed to any illness or disease even mild ones.
- Children will allergies or mild colds that have been cleared to return, but still cough or sneeze will be required to wear a pediatric face mask.
- Parents who are home sick or staying home with other sick children will be required to keep children enrolled in our program home as well.
- No one is to bring a child to childcare/preschool with symptoms of any illness and risk exposing the other children here.
- Parents will need to call provider and notify them anytime a child is home sick and what the illness is.
- IF anyone is sick in the family it's best practices to reframe from kissing and making face contact with your children or other children to avoid the spread of the illness.
- It is best practices that any sick family member stays away from the healthy members during cold and flu season and especially during community outbreaks.
- All precautions to keep children safe and illness free is the responsibility of the Parents.
- This includes keeping children safe and illness free at childcare/preschool and not bring children to care to expose other children.
- Provider reserves the right to send any child home due to any type of illness.
- Provider reserves the right to close childcare/preschool down without prior notice due to community illness/outbreaks.
- Parents are to always be aware and prepared to come pick up child in case of illness of any kind but especially during a community outbreak.
- Parents should also take into consideration that there might be pregnant Moms in the group and can't risk illness as well.
- Some children have weak immune systems, and all parents need to be aware that their child is not the only child in care, and all children and families are important.
- HEALTH CHECKS WILL BE ADMINISTERED DAILY DURING COMMUNITY OUTBREAKFS.
- Provider will ask common health questions at drop off.
- WE require any sick child to be 48 hrs. symptom free and medication free before returning to childcare/preschool and a doctor note during community outbreaks.

Current Illness policies updated:

☐ **OTHER UNACCEPTABLE Illnesses are:**