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<u>Sick Child Policy</u>: Under no circumstances may a parent bring a sick child to school, if the child shows any signs of illness or is unable to participate in the normal routine, please keep the child at home. Sick children may expose their illness toother children as well as staff members who they may come in contact with.

Children will be visually screened when they arrive in the morning. In the event a child becomes ill and needs to be picked up, the parent(s) will be called and are expected to come pick the child up within one hour (60 minutes). If the parent(s) cannot be reached, or have not arrived within an hour, the emergency contact person will be called and asked to come pick the child up.

For the benefit of our staff and other children in our care, a sick child will not be permitted to return to school for 24 hours after condition has returned to normal. The child may return 24 - 48 hours (depending upon the illness) after they have received the first dose of an antibiotic. If a child receives an antibiotic for an ear infection, he/she may return to day care immediately if he/she has been free of other symptoms mentioned for at least 24 hours.

Symptoms which require children to stay home:

- Fever: Fever is defined as having a temperature of 100°F or higher taken under the arm, 101°F taken orally, or 102°F taken rectally. (a child needs to be fever free for a minimum of 24 hours before returning to school, that means the child is fever free without the aid of Tylenol®, or any other fever reducing substance.)
 - Fever AND sore throat, rash, vomiting, diarrhea, earache, irritability, or confusion.
 - Diarrhea: runny, watery, bloody stools, or 2 or more loose stools within last 4 hours.
- Vomiting: 2 or more times in a 24 hour period. Note: please do not bring your child if they have vomitted in the night.
- Breathing trouble, sore throat, swollen glands, loss of voice, hacking or continuous coughing.
 - Runny nose (other than clear), draining eyes or ears.
 - Frequent scratching of body or scalp, lice, rash, or any other spots that resemble childhood diseases, including ringworm.
- Child is irritable, continuously crying, or requires more attention than we can provide without hurting the health, safety or well-being of the other children in our care.

Any questions, please feel free to call us. Thank You