**Garrett’s Way COVID-19 Fact Sheet**

* **Stay at home if sick**: All sick children must stay home and may return to Garrett’s Way after being symptom free, without medication, for 72 hours. A doctor’s note is required, clearing your child to return to our program.
* **Drop off and Pick Up**: For the safety of our children and staff, no one is allowed to enter the facility except for the child(ren) in our care. Your child will be escorted to their classroom by a staff member after their health screening (see below).
* **COVID-19 Attestation form:** Each morning, you will receive this form digitally through your email. You must answer the questions about the health of your family **before** coming to school. If the form has not been filled out when you arrive, you will need to step out of line, fill out the form and then have your temperatures taken.
* **Health Screenings**: All children and family members will be screened at drop off by a staff member who will take the temperature of the child and family members. Masks should be worn at drop off by all adults and, when feasible, for children. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will be asked to return home. The teachers will monitor the children’s health throughout the day.
* **Personal Protective Equipment**: All staff will be required to wear masks throughout the day and gloves when necessary, unless it hinders their health or ability to perform their job duties as assigned. All children over the age of 2 will wear masks, whenever feasible, throughout the day, unless they are eating, drinking or napping. If you do not have a mask for your child, one will be provided.
* **Handwashing:** Children and staff will wash their hands upon entering the classroom and frequently throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the facility.
* **Sick space**: A designated space will be provided where teachers can care for sick children while being separated from other children or adults until a family member can pick them up. The sick child must be picked up within 60 minutes of notification.
* **Physical Distancing**: To minimize potential exposure, children will keep their distance from children and staff from other groups. Classrooms will be grouped in “pods” so they will only be interacting and mixing with those children within their pod.
* **Follow CDC travel guidelines**: As states and counties lift their restrictions, please pay close attention to the CDC guidance around travel to specific regions where COVID 19 community spread cases are increasing. If you travel to these regions, you will need to follow CDC guidance for quarantining yourself and your family before returning to Garrett’s Way.
* **Facility cleanliness**: High touch surfaces will be regularly disinfected by our Health and Safety Personnel as well as the classroom teachers. In addition, our nightly cleaning crew will also clean and disinfect all areas of the buildings. The playgrounds will be disinfected after each group exits, in preparation for use by the next group. All CDC recommendations for sanitizing and disinfecting will be followed.
* We will pause the use of sensory tables, play-doh, stuffed animals and other materials that are difficult to clean and disinfect.
* **Naptime Routines**: Children will nap (without masks) as far apart as possible and be positioned alternating head to toe or toe to toe. Each child should have a sheet and blanket for naptime which will remain in school and given to you on Friday. Sheets and blankets must be laundered before returning to Garrett’s Way.
* **Items from home**: To help combat germs in the center, no sleeping bags, pillows, backpacks, stuffed animals or toys are permitted from home. In addition, all lunches must be packed in a disposable bag with the child’s name clearly labeled.
* **Picking up your child:** As stated above, parents/caregivers are not permitted to enter the building. We ask for your understanding and patience as you wait for your child to be brought to you by a staff member. Please wear masks and stand on the designated lines, six feet apart, to minimize contact with other families.