

COVID-19 Policy

While we are trying to get through this pandemic, we feel we need to put some policies in place while your child is in care during this time. We are being extremely cautious to prevent the spread of the virus, or any viruses. Some staff also have children at home, and we need to be mindful of the other children attending. Please note that we are following the direction of our province's top health authorities and are still practicing social distancing and isolation while at Playland, and while at home. We expect the same from you if your child will be attending Playland. This includes social distancing, and being safe and cautious when near other people, only essential travel, small gatherings of 6 or less. Please let us know if you or your child, or anyone in the home is sick. If this direction will not be adhered to by you and your family, we cannot have your child at Playland. It will be putting staff and other children more at risk.

Staffing/Hours of operation:

There may or may not be reduced hours, depending on staffing. We are operating with limited staff, so if any of our staff who are working, get sick or cannot come in, we may need to reduce our hours. Please be prepared in case this happens. We will give what notice we can for our reduced hours/days. Our staff have been at home self-isolating while not at work.

Drop off and pick up:

When you are dropping off your child, please knock on the door or ring the doorbell to alert staff you are here. Please step back to the bottom of the stairs/away from the door so staff can open the door and welcome your child in. Parents will remain outside. At this time, staff will check your child's temperature and record it. If your child has a fever, they will be sent home right away.

Your child will wash their hands upon arrival, as well as many times throughout the day, so please help your child to understand how important it is to wash their hands. Home toys are to remain at home. Please do not bring anything other than your child's lunch, and change of clothes, and water bottle. (coats and boots etc as see fit).

Upon pick up, if we are outside, staff will take your child in for handwashing before leaving daycare. If we are inside, please ring the doorbell or knock to alert staff you are here, so we can get your child washed up and ready to go. Please remain outside, staff will send your child out when ready.

Health/Safety:

Temperature will be taken and recorded upon drop off. Any temperature higher than 38 celsius (100.4 fahrenheit) will be considered a fever and your child will have to be taken home. We won't make any exceptions and please do not use Tylenol or Advil in the morning before

drop off. We will also make random temperature checks during the day and will call if your child's temperature has risen. This also applies if your child begins coughing or sneezing or has runny nose. **Please do not bring your child if they have any of these symptoms or is generally unwell.**

Staff will also take their own temperature and record it, upon arrival at work, and will sanitize their hands. Masks and gloves will be made available to them and they will be encouraged to wear them

If you or anyone in your family have any of these symptoms or have been sick, please keep your child home.

Some changes:

While your child is here at Playland during the pandemic, we are postponing our offered snacks and breakfasts. Please make sure your child has had breakfast before coming to daycare. Please also pack enough in your child's lunch kit to sustain them for 2 snacks and lunch, as we will not be preparing our regular snack tray. Please pack a water bottle for them to use while at Playland.

We have limited toys and resources we are offering the children at this time as we are sanitizing in between the play times (after they have played with them, or if someone new will be playing with them) We are sanitizing the washroom after each use as well. Staff are supplied with gloves and sanitizer and will be cleaning with bleach and other sanitizing solutions throughout the day. General cleaning/sanitizing of all areas of the centres that will be in use, will be done 4 times per day and logged.

School:

There is some discussion about school starting up again part time. If your child will be attending school, we will still provide our drop off and pick up service, using the 15 passenger van to give us as much social distancing in the vehicle as possible. Please let us know what day(s) your child will be attending school.

Please sign below to acknowledge you have read and understand this policy

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____