



PARTNERS FROM THE BEGINNING

WHAT TO BRING

Please check with the teaching staff as well. We have school rainsuits for each child to wear during messy play or wet seasons!

TODDLERS

Shoes and clothes that allow your child to participate in physical and messy activities actively

- Water bottle
- Pacifier for rest time, if needed
- Diapers or Pull-ups
- Wipes
- Light child-sized blanket
- Fitted crib sheet
- 3 changes of clothes, season-appropriate
- Photos of family
- Sweater or jacket, labeled
- Security soft item for rest, if needed



PRESCHOOLERS

- Shoes and clothes that allow the child to participate in physical and messy activities actively
- Water bottle, labeled
- Disposable Pull-ups, wipes (for potty training)
- 3 changes of clothes, season-appropriate
- Family Pictures
- Security soft item (stuffed animal), if needed
- Sweater or jacket, labeled

CELEBRATIONS

We believe birthdays, celebrations, and seasonal events are a great time to include nutritious foods and active play. If you want to bring a snack to celebrate your child or family, it must be healthy.

Ideas for Celebration Treats:

- ▶ Fresh Fruit Cups
- ▶ Fruit Salad
- ▶ Cookie Cutter Shape Cheeses with Crackers
- ▶ Yogurt and Fruit Parfaits
- ▶ Homemade Bread or Muffins

SPECIAL NOTES

- ▶ All children need to be dressed in "user-friendly" elastic-waist clothing as much as possible to promote self-help skills.
- ▶ We provide nutritious snacks and lunch daily.
- ▶ We are a *No Nut* Facility.
- ▶ Outside food is not allowed; see the menu for scheduled mealtimes.
- ▶ Diaper cream and sunscreen must stay away from the children at the school. (LIC 9221)
- ▶ We store all of the backup clothing in a Ziploc bag in the classroom; the teachers will send home soiled clothing and request replacements.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Toys
- Food
- Candy, sweets, juice
- Chewing gum
- “Jellies,” backless sandals, flip flops
- Masked hoodies
- Violent or inappropriate clothing
- Anything unlabeled
- Medication (see Director)
- Illnesses, including the common cold



SUPPORT FOR CAREGIVING ROUTINES



Children do not need to be potty trained to enroll in our programs. Potty learning will be done respectfully and peacefully with the cooperation of the family. We require that the child show signs of readiness and interest, including a family meeting to create a potty learning plan.

Please read our potty training readiness resources for developmentally appropriate approaches.

We are aware that accidents happen. That is why we ask families to keep a couple of clothing changes at school; however, if the child has accidents every day or weekly, the child is not considered potty trained, and continued potty learning support is needed.

EMAIL US FAMILY PHOTOS!

We want them for....

- Visual strategies to support separation, feelings, transitions, and behaviors
- Cubby labels for their belongings
- Outside classroom
- Sharing and talking about our families at school
- Using pictures as prompts for language development
- To teach children about the cultures in the classroom
- Sharing similarities and differences and how each family is special