

# LITTLE ANGELS MDO PRESCHOOL DURING A PANDEMIC

Covid-19 has wreaked havoc all over the globe. It has sent people home from work, driven small businesses to close and has caused anxiety among all of us. All we know, is that we need to wear masks and wash our hands often. Practice 6ft social distance whenever possible. But now Texas is beginning the reopening phases, the question now is how we keep our preschool safe. How can we do preschool during this time?

I thought I would provide some insight to help you see what our school might be like in these unpredictable times.

## **Safety Actions:**

- Parents and caregivers may no longer enter the building (Unless for an emergency).
- During drop off, a teacher and Director will meet parents outside of the door to observe the child and then take the child's temperature. If the child does not have a temperature higher than 100.4, they may enter with an aide or teacher walk them to their classroom.
- Parents should take their child's temperature at home before leaving for school to stop an unnecessary trip to school (If you need to give your child Tylenol or ibuprofen for ANY REASON before you come to school, please don't bring them).
- Children are to leave all non-essential items (like toys) with the parent at the door.
- When walking into any room, children and staff must sanitize their hands.
- During pick up, the parent/guardian will text the school phone 254-217-5035 or knock on the entrance door to inform the staff you are here waiting outside. A staff member will bring your child outside to meet you.

## **Cleaning and Sanitizing:**

- A bottle of hand sanitizer is at each teacher's disposal and emphasize hand cleaning at all times when needed.
- A bucket of soapy water (changed periodically and away from children's reach) to place toys needing to be cleaned.
- High touch surfaces (tables, chairs, markers, toilets, nap mats) will be washed and sanitized daily.
- Tables will be sanitized after every snack/meal and in between table activities.
- Nap mat covers will be sent home every Wednesday to be washed and sanitized.
- Nap mats will not be shared and will be sanitized and stored separately.
- Every child needs to bring their own water bottle to be used during snack/lunch time. The bottles will be sent home every day to be washed and sanitized.

## **Implementing Social Distancing Strategies:**

- We will enforce social distancing strategies as well as expected with the children.
- Each age level will be contained in their separate classrooms for learning, playing, and eating.
- Outside play, gym time, and Library time will be staggered to eliminate mass contact with each other.