**Banyan Day School Discipline Policy:**

We are required by DCF to provide parents with a written discipline policy.

Our discipline policy commences first by verbally expressing to the child

what is expected of him/her.

We ***do*** use the word “no” to express the inappropriateness of a behavior.

Children will be corrected and asked to change their behavior.

Children will be re-directed from a situation.

Children will NOT be subjected to discipline which is severe, humiliating or frightening.

Discipline will never be associated with food, rest or toileting.

Spanking or any other form of physical punishment is NOT allowed.

Children will NOT be denied active play as a consequence of misbehavior.

If the child continues participating in a disruptive manner, he/she will be sat to one side of the classroom or playground (TIME OUT) for no more than 5 minutes.

If the disruptive behavior continues even after being timed out, we will take him/her to another classroom or the office for a break from the classroom environment.

Ultimately, if the behavior continues, we will discuss the issue with the parent(s) to try to determine the cause and/or solution, if any.

Florida State law reserves the right to any School to expulse a child from the School after multiple disciplinary actions that exceed what is considered reasonable. For Banyan Day School it is more than Ten (10) disciplinary actions and at the discretion of the acting Director.

We encourage proper behavior, in order to elicit more of the same.

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**I have received in writing and read the disciplinary practices used by Banyan Day School.**

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**Name of Child Date**