Certainly! Below is a framework for your **Tiny Scholars LLC Teacher Handbook**. This includes sections on your daycare's mission, policies, and expectations for teachers. It can be customized further based on your specific needs.

### Tiny Scholars LLC Teacher Handbook

## **Welcome to Tiny Scholars LLC**

Welcome to Tiny Scholars LLC! We are thrilled to have you as part of our team, where we believe in creating a nurturing, safe, and enriching environment for children to learn and grow. Our mission is to provide high-quality early childhood education, where each child is celebrated as an individual.

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#### **Our Mission Statement**

At Tiny Scholars LLC, we are dedicated to fostering the intellectual, social, and emotional development of young children through a well-rounded curriculum that integrates play-based learning with academic exploration. Our goal is to create a loving, inclusive environment where every child can thrive.

### **Core Values**

- **Respect**: We respect each child's individual needs and work to meet them with care and attention.
- Creativity: We foster creativity and imagination through hands-on learning experiences.
- **Partnership:** We collaborate with families to ensure that children's development is supported at school and at home.
- **Growth**: We believe that every child has the potential to grow and succeed in their own unique way.

### **Teacher Expectations**

As a teacher at Tiny Scholars LLC, you play an essential role in shaping the future of the children in your care. We expect you to maintain the following standards:

### **Professional Conduct**

• Punctuality: Arrive on time for your shift to ensure the children's routines are maintained.

- **Dress Code**: Wear comfortable, professional attire appropriate for working with young children.
- **Positive Attitude**: Maintain a positive, patient, and encouraging attitude with children, parents, and colleagues.
- **Communication**: Communicate regularly with parents and staff regarding the progress and well-being of the children.

#### **Child Interaction**

- Respectful Care: Treat each child with respect and understanding.
- Classroom Management: Establish and enforce clear expectations for behavior.
- **Safety**: Always ensure the safety and well-being of the children, including monitoring children during transitions, outdoor play, and nap time.
- **Development**: Encourage each child's development through play, creative activities, and learning experiences.

### **Daily Routine**

# **Morning Arrival**

- Greeting: Greet each child and their family warmly.
- **Health Check**: Ensure that children have no visible signs of illness, and check for necessary items (e.g., backpacks, lunches).

### **Activity Blocks**

- Activities are designed to promote cognitive, emotional, and physical development, such as:
  - Storytime
  - Arts and crafts
  - Sensory play
  - Learning games (e.g., puzzles, matching games)

#### **Mealtimes**

- Meal Supervision: Ensure children wash hands before meals. Monitor children during meals and assist as needed.
- **Dietary Restrictions**: Be aware of children's dietary restrictions or allergies and follow the meal plan carefully.

### Nap Time

- Nap Supervision: Ensure children rest comfortably and safely.
- Quiet Time: For children who do not sleep, provide quiet activities (e.g., books, puzzles).

### **End of Day**

- Parent Pick-Up: Ensure children are picked up by authorized adults.
- **Communication**: Provide a daily update to parents on their child's activities and any concerns.

### **Health and Safety Policies**

## **Emergency Procedures**

- Fire Drills: Practice fire drills regularly. Ensure all exits are clearly marked.
- **First Aid**: All teachers must be CPR and First Aid certified. Keep a first aid kit readily available in the classroom.
- Accidents: Report any accidents or injuries immediately to the director.

### **Illness Policy**

- Children and staff who are sick should stay home to prevent the spread of illness.
- If a child shows symptoms of illness during the day, they will be isolated from other children, and parents will be contacted to pick them up.

# **Cleaning and Sanitation**

• Teachers are responsible for maintaining clean classrooms and common areas. Sanitize toys and surfaces regularly, especially during cold and flu season.

### **Curriculum and Development**

### **Age-Appropriate Activities**

Tiny Scholars LLC follows a developmentally appropriate curriculum, focusing on:

- Cognitive development (problem-solving, language skills)
- Social and emotional growth (sharing, conflict resolution)
- Physical development (fine and gross motor skills)

### **Weekly Themes**

Each week, a new theme will be introduced, with activities designed around that theme. Example themes include "Animals Around Us," "Space Exploration," and "Seasons."

### **Individual Learning Plans**

Teachers are responsible for tracking each child's progress and supporting them in areas where they may need extra attention.

### **Teacher Professional Development**

### **Training and Continuing Education**

- Teachers are encouraged to participate in ongoing professional development and early childhood education workshops.
- Tiny Scholars LLC provides annual training on topics such as child development, classroom management, and new educational techniques.

#### **Performance Reviews**

Performance reviews will be conducted annually, where you can receive feedback and set goals for professional growth.

# **Policies on Time Off**

- Sick Days: Non-Paid Sick leave must be reported to the director as early as possible.
- Vacation Days: Requests for time off should be submitted at least 3 weeks in advance.

### Conclusion

Thank you for being a part of the Tiny Scholars LLC family! We are excited about the work we do together to provide a nurturing environment for our children. Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Ms Ashly.