PARENT HANDBOOK



Child Care · Preschool · Learning Center

Open Monday - Friday 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM

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Please note that you are required to read entire handbook before signing the contract. Thank you!

Before child care begins, please complete the following:

- ___Child Care Agreement & \$100 Enrollment fee.
- Medication Form
- ___Proof of child's immunization records
- ____Download the Procare Connect App
- ___Download Open Path App for door entry
- ___ICCP Provider Form (If applicable)

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StoneyCourtPlaycare.com

ENROLLMENT

Stoney Court Playcare is open to any child 4 weeks to 12 years old. We do no discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, or disability. All children are welcome!

Parents interested in enrolling their children, when limited space is available, will be placed on a waiting list arranged on a first-come, first-served basis according to the date interest was expressed.

2023 TUITION

Payments (ICCP Copays and cash payments) are due on the 5th of each month

Monthly tuition prices take into account all holidays/days off throughout the year with a fair average monthly price. Some months have no days off, while others have more. Each month's tuition will be the same.

HOLIDAYS

The daycare will be closed on the following days:

- New Year's Eve and New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day

- Thanksgiving Day & Friday after
- Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
- Optional 5 closure days due to Covid, shortage of staff, etc. . .

If holiday falls on a weekend, either the following or the previous work day will be observed as the holiday and we will be closed. We will always let you know if we will be adding closure dates.

FFFS

Enrollment Fee and Yearly Supply: A <u>\$100 fee per child</u> is due with the online enrollment before the first day of daycare and a supply fee of <u>\$50</u> is billed every 12 months afterward.

Returned Check:A \$25.00 fee will be assessed for any returned checks. You will be responsible for all charges on your account due to non-payment including but not limited to late fees, attorney fees, etc.

Late Pick-up: Any child picked up after 6:30 pm will be charged \$1.00 per minute.

Transportation: \$80 per month from Lincoln and Burton (Madison school district busses from Adams)

WE GLADLY SUPPLY

- Diapers, Pull-Ups, and Baby wipes
- Milk and Formula
- Nutritious Meals and Snacks

- Sun-block
- Cups, bottles, bowls, plates, utensils, etc...

MFALS

We provide three meals and two snacks per day. Serving times are as follows:

Breakfast: 7:30 - 8:30 am
Morning Snack: 10:00 am
Lunch: 12:00 pm

Afternoon Snack: 3:00 pm

Dinner: 6:00 - 6:30 pm

If your child comes outside of the above times, please be sure they are fed. If your child has special dietary needs, please send food in a bag for the day or week.

COMMUNICATION

Our goal is to keep the channel of communication open through multiple channels. We always want you to know about your child's day. And we always want to know your thoughts and concerns! The Procare App will help us stay connected throughout the day. Occasionally, a call, text message, or email to the parents is needed for more urgent matters.

Procare Connect App

- Check-in and out will be done on the Procare App or on a kiosk at the reception desk. (It is important that no child is allowed to come in or out of the building without being checked in or out. This is an attendance record as well as an emergency checklist.)
- Receive messages, pictures, and videos of your child throughout the day
- Send messages to your child's teacher or office staff
- · Make payments

LATE PAYMENT POLICY

Payment is due by the 5th of each month and is considered late on the 10th of each month. All accounts past due will not be allowed at daycare until paid. If the account goes two weeks past due, your child's spot will be filled with another child from our waiting list.

A \$50.00 late fee per child will be applied to the account if no payment was made before the 10th of the month.

All accounts 60 days past due will be turned over to collections. Any fees charged by the collection agency will be the responsibility of the parents.

ICCP PARTICIPANTS

Family co-payments for ICCP participants are due on the 5th of each month. The State program does not pay 100% of the fees so it is important that participants pay their portion to continue with Stoney Court Playcare. **ICCP does not allow participants to by-pass their co-payment.**

All families anticipating ICCP benefits must notify us prior to the beginning of service. **Parents are responsible for payment of services until the case has been verified. This can take 60-90 days.** If ICCP payments are made for the months prior to acceptance, a credit or refund will be distributed.

BEHAVIOR

Once in a while a child may make a choice that is disruptive to the other children. In this case we'll take some fair, appropriate steps to help teach and provide a learning experience. Children will never be physically disciplined. Misbehaviors will be treated with the following steps:

- 1. Redirect the teacher will redirect the child to a positive choice
- 2. Separation from other children in the class
- 3. Child will spend time in the office
- 4. Consultation with parents for assistance
- 5. Child will be put on probation using a behavioral rubric

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Occasionally, either intentionally or unintentionally a child causes damage to the property. In this case, the parent or caregiver is responsible for all damages and labor to restore property to original state.

WITHDRAWAL / DISCHARGE POLICY

A two-week notice is required for withdrawal from the daycare. Please fill out a two-week withdrawal form in the office.

We offer a summer deferment without need for re-enrollment. Please fill out the form in the office within two-weeks of the deferment.

Reasons for possible discharge are as follows, but not limited to:

- If the child is having an extremely difficult time adjusting to his/her parent leaving, exhibits severe emotional or social problems, or is making it difficult for us to properly care for the other children.
- If a child is prone to destructive behaviors which result in constant, severe, or recurrent damage to others, the facility, or its contents.
- The account becomes delinquent.
- Failure of the parent(s) to cooperate.
- We determine that we are unable to meet the needs of your child.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We like to actively showcase our daycare and our kids on social media. If you would like your child's face to not be included in pictures on social media, please let the office know.

HFALTH & SAFFTY

IMMUNIZATIONS & CHECK-UPS

Each child must have current immunization records at the center. This protects you as well as everyone else. The State requires these records no later than two weeks from start of service. In accordance with NAEYC's standards, we strongly recommend that children see their physician yearly.

FIRE DRILLS

Fire drills are held at least once per quarter. An evacuation plan is posted at each exit. All employees are familiar with each exit plan and their designated meeting places.

MEDICATIONS

If your child will need any medicine during the day, a MEDICATION FORM will need to be filled out. **This form will include the date, dosage, times to be given, your signature, and your doctor's signature**. Please give all medication and the medication form to the office staff. We will not give any medication without written instruction from the doctor. The children will not be allowed to administer any medication to themselves including cough drops or Tylenol, etc. All medications must be in the original container with all information on the label. The medications must not be expired. The child's name that is to take the prescribed medication must be on the label.

SAFETY ISSUES

<u>Minor Emergencies:</u> In situations not requiring medical personnel, teachers will provide appropriate First Aid, including Band-Aids, ice packs, antibiotic ointments, etc. All teachers are required to be trained in First Aid and CPR.

<u>Life Threatening Emergencies:</u> Although the utmost care is taken to avoid injuries, accidents may happen. In case of a medical emergency, 911 must be contacted immediately followed by the Parent/Guardian or emergency contacts. In the event we are unable to contact any of them, we will send a teacher with the child to the hospital or other health care facility. An incident report will be filed with the State of Idaho for all emergency situations.

<u>Signs of Abuse or Neglect:</u> As a child care provider, we are required to report any signs or symptoms of child abuse. If you have any questions, please contact our director.

ILLNESS

<u>Practices Regarding Illness:</u> Health Department regulations prohibit the admittance of any child into a childcare center that exhibits any of the following symptoms:

- Fever (101 or higher)
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Runny nose with colored discharge, check with doctor
- discharge from eyes or ears, check with doctor
- Lice
- Communicable disease (i.e. Covid, Rash, Chicken Pox, Measles, pink eye, etc...)

Children will not be allowed to return until they have been symptom free for 24 hours without the aid of medication. Note: Children remain contagious for 24 hours after the first dose of antibiotic.

If a child exhibits any of these symptoms while in our care, the parent or guardian will be notified immediately and asked to pick up their child.