



Infant/Toddler Handout

Our commitment to quality care begins with the partnership between our teachers and parents, which is essential for providing care for your infant. Together, parents and teachers develop a daily schedule that meets the individual needs of your child. This open communication will be ongoing during your time with Discover Little Miracles.



The following information lists policies and reminders for parents enrolling infants and toddlers. For additional information, refer to the registration and tuition forms.



Health Exams and Intake Forms

Intake information for children under 2 years

- ★ The intake form includes essential information about the child's eating, sleeping, toileting, communication and comforting needs. It shall be reviewed and updated periodically to better coordinate care between the center and home.

Immunization record

- ★ Each child must have an updated immunization history on file.

Physical completed by health care provider

- ★ Each child shall have an initial examination by a physician, not more than 1 year prior to, nor later than 90 days after admission. Children under 2 years shall be given a physical exam, by a physician, every 6 months after admission; verification of this must be on file.





Specific Infant/Toddler Policies

- ★ Infants and toddlers will have specialized care based on their own needs and schedules in accordance with home care.
- ★ Infants' positions and locations will be changed several times throughout the day.
- ★ Infants will have freedom of movement in a safe, clean, open, warm and uncluttered environment.
- ★ Each child will receive physical contact and attention by being held, rocked, spoken and sung to.
- ★ Infants and toddlers will be encouraged to play with a wide variety of safe toys and objects.
- ★ Feeding, naptime, and diapering will be used for language development and learning experiences.
- ★ Diapering tables are washed and disinfected after each use. Staff will wash hands before and after diapering and feeding each child.
- ★ Toilet training shall be planned cooperatively between child's assigned teacher and parents.



Personal Items

We will provide:

- ★ Grade A, 2% & Whole Milk and 100% juice
- ★ Baby food and cereal (certified organic)
- ★ One type of formula; Similac Advanced with Iron
 - If a child requires a formula other than the one offered, parents must provide formula with no reduction in cost.
- ★ Bibs, burp cloths, crib sheets and blankets
- ★ Feeding utensils appropriate for age and abilities

Items to be provided by Parents:



- ★ Disposable diapers and wipes
- ★ 2 changes of play clothes including socks, **labeled with child's name**
 - Soiled clothes must be picked up daily.
- ★ 3-4 bottles labeled with child's name

- ★ Those choosing to send breast milk will need to send it in bags or bottles in the amount they wish the child to be fed, and labeled with the date and child's name.
- ★ Pacifier (labeled with permanent marker)
- ★ Over-the-counter items (sunscreen, diaper ointment etc.) labeled with child's name
- ★ Appropriate outdoor clothing for the season labeled with child's name
- ★ Security blanket, toy etc. (if needed)



Daily reports of diapering, feeding and activities are available at time of pick-up. *(This written report is especially important because teachers may not necessarily work longer than eight hours and your child may be dropped off and picked up before or after their scheduled time.)*



Parents may visit children any time during the day; we ask that they enter and leave quietly, so as not to disturb resting children. Please understand that the teacher's priorities are the children; she/he may not have time to visit, depending on the needs of the children. If you wish to confer seriously about your child's progress, please ask for an appointment.