**ADDENDUM**

**COVID-19 and GENERAL HEALTH GUIDELINES 2023-2024**

Please be assured that we always clean and sanitize our classroom throughout the day and after every class. That includes all the activities, toys, furniture, bathrooms, etc.. We are constantly washing hands and reminding our students of good health habits throughout the class time to do our best in preventing germs from spreading.

1. Before every school day please assess your child’s health to be sure they do not come to school with a fever, cough, heavy nasal discharge, diarrhea, vomiting, or any health concern issue. We are asking you to be as transparent as possible with illnesses in the home and your child that are communicable.
2. When your child is brought into the door each day, we will do a brief health check and give them hand sanitizer before they enter the classroom. If we feel they shouldn’t be in the classroom with the other children we will call you immediately to come back to the school to pick-up. Also, if at any time during class they fall ill we will separate them from the group and call the first person on your emergency contacts.
3. If someone in your home has tested positive for Covid your child may continue to attend school as long as they are symptom free, however you must let the school know immediately that your child has been exposed. Please Covid test your child 3 days after exposure or if they show any symptoms at all.
4. We realize a lot of children have allergies and may have a runny nose or a cough. Even though those symptoms may be allergy related, your child must be able to handle a tissue and their runny nose needs to be at the point of very little discharge to come into the classroom. Coughs need to be covered at all times. Please teach your child to cover their nose and mouth using their elbow. In order to attend school with a cough, that also needs to be at the point of very little coughing.
5. Let’s all be courteous of each other and remember our students are 3 and 4 years old and many attending school for the first time. Keep them home if you don’t think they are feeling just right, assess them carefully each day, and do not allow your child to make the decision as to whether or not they are well enough to attend school. First time exposure to a group of little friends usually brings on a lot of colds, etc…Be patient and give their immune system time to adjust.
6. Please review good health habits at home with your child. Especially hand washing, using a tissue, covering their coughs and sneezes with their elbow, and keeping their hands away from their faces at all times.

*Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our children and staff safe and healthy!*

*Miss Cheryl & Staff*