

**BRIGHT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL, INC.**  
**Health & Safety Amendment to the Parent Contract**  
**Coronavirus (COVID-19)**  
**2022-2023 School Year**

We must all accept responsibility to do whatever we can for your (our) children. We can only ensure everyone's health and safety are a priority, if EVERYONE follows the regulations that follow. You will find some points have been updated from our Parent Contract.

**We are relying on your honesty and compassion for others.**

**Please, keep in mind all the positives for in-person learning. We must continue to be cautious in order to keep our classroom open for your children.**

1. **A student will not be allowed to attend preschool if he/she is ill.** Your child should be checked for symptoms every day before leaving home. If your child is even a "little bit" sick, STAY HOME! We reserve the right to call you to pick up your child, if we feel he/she should not be in school. (see #2)

Does your child have any of the following symptoms (prior to administering medication)?

- Fever or chills OR a temperature 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Sore throat, Congestion, Runny nose, Eye redness, Body Aches, Fatigue
- Cough
- Diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- Headache

If your child has had any of the above symptoms, our updated policy is: **Your child must be SYMPTOM-FREE for 48 hours (after symptoms have subsided) before returning\* to preschool.**

**\*If your child is diagnosed with COVID-19 or variant, you are required to call the school/office.** We will discuss his/her return to school, which will usually be after at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared, and he/she has been fever-free (without the use of medication) for at least 48 hours. "By the 10th day after COVID symptoms begin, most people will no longer be contagious, as long as their symptoms have continued to improve and their fever has resolved."\*

**\*If your child (or anyone in their household) had close contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 or variant, he/she needs to STAY HOME and self-quarantine for 10 days to monitor symptoms.**

(\*per recommendations noted with <https://www.health.harvard.edu/diseases-and-conditions/if-youve-been-exposed-to-the-coronavirus>) dated April 12, 2022 (additional information about vaccines and "Coronavirus and Kids" is accessible via this link, as well).

**\*\*If either of the above two scenarios occur, contact the school/office (717-867-2106).\*\***

2. If a student begins to show symptoms while at preschool, the student's parent/guardian will be called\* and will be expected to pick up their child **immediately**.

\*It is **IMPERATIVE** that we have a **phone#** that will connect us to you, immediately.

3. If a teacher or aide becomes ill and receives a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, a substitute will be called. If a substitute is not available, it is possible your child's class may be cancelled for a day or more.\*\*

\*\*Everyone is connected in our BB family. Parents of all students (in all classes, if necessary) will be notified, via email. It is **IMPORTANT** that we have a **current email address** that you will be checking daily.

4. Tuition will not be refunded, if your child(ren) cannot attend due to illness or quarantine. Tuition will not be refunded if his/her class needs to close due to a teacher's or other student's COVID-19 or variant diagnosis, or if quarantine time is necessary due to a teacher or student being in close contact to someone diagnosed with COVID-19 or variant. During this continued challenging time, our business needs the financial stability of a sustainable income. As we have not received any funding/financial assistance through Small Business/Pandemic-based Grants, the monthly tuition is our only source of income.

5. Arrival and Dismissal/Pick-Up

We prefer **only one (1) adult (per child) enter the building** with your preschooler during Arrival and Dismissal. Our hallway is a small area, and doing all we can to prevent the spread of germs is a priority. In order to help improve ventilation in the hallway, a window will be open in the exterior entrance.

Please, communicate any concerns by calling the school/office, if needed.

Arrival:

The entrance door (bottom of the concrete steps) will be unlocked/opened 10 minutes before class begins.

Parents/Guardians will take their child to use the toilet/bathroom where the parent/guardian will wash and dry their child's hands. This is a good opportunity for your child to learn how to correctly wash and dry his/her hands, so he/she can eventually take care of the handwashing independently. We will have hand sanitizer available during the Arrival Time, as well.

Stay with your child in the hallway until the teachers open the classroom doors.

Dismissal/Pick-Up:

At the time of your child's dismissal (**We expect you to be PROMPT.**), please enter the building and wait in the hallway until the teachers open the classroom doors and dismiss the children.

6. We understand there are many opinions about wearing masks. As of this printing, masks are optional. We do need you to understand that our Masking Policy can change. If cases rise and the concern for COVID spread increases in Lebanon County, we could return to requiring masks for children and adults. Please, keep a clean well-fitting mask in your child's school bag at all times. We continue to listen to the CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics (both national organizations) but, also, pay attention to state and local information, as that remains relevant to our local area. Please know that our experience last school year showed us how amazing the children handle wearing masks. They had no problems, as they were aware they were caring for each other.

7. Our staff is doing everything possible to keep your child's health a priority. Our Teachers and Aides are fully vaccinated. You need to be aware of the fact that this is a virus, and exposure is a possibility. We cannot guarantee no exposure; however, we are doing everything we can to minimize the risk. By signing below, you release Bright Beginnings Preschool, Inc. of any liability in the event an illness (including COVID-19 or variants) affects your child, your family or anyone who would have been in close contact with your child during his/her time at Bright Beginnings Preschool in Annville.

I have read, and I accept the Bright Beginnings Preschool Health & Safety Amendment to the Parent Contract, and I understand that changes are possible from now throughout the 2022-2023 school year.

Printed name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of child attending BB Preschool: \_\_\_\_\_