



A Place to Grow  
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# Coronavirus Disease 2019 **COVID-19** RESPONSE PLAN

A Place to Grow is committed to being open for our families. Keeping A Place to Grow open during these uncertain times, will require a commitment from the school, staff, and families to follow the guidelines outlined below during our daily routines at home and school. The health and safety of our families rely on strict adherence to these practices.

1. Handwashing
  - a. Handwashing signs posted throughout building, including entrance.
  - b. Families notified that hands of everyone entering and exiting the building must be washed immediately upon entry or prior to exit. Hand washing areas are accessible without having to touch a surface on the way.
  - c. Classrooms teach direct instruction of handwashing techniques to all children.
  - d. All children in infants and toddlers are having hands washed by a staff member.
2. Cleaning
  - a. Only EPA registered cleaning agents or recommended by the CDC are being used. 5 tbsp bleach per gallon or 4 tsp bleach per quart of water
  - b. Soft toys and cloth items in classrooms have been washed in hot water and bleach and removed from classrooms to ensure remaining items are easily sanitized.
  - c. All entryway areas are disinfected after pick up and drop off each day. Hand sanitizer placed in pick up and drop off areas
  - d. All classrooms solid surfaces are disinfected nightly at closing and throughout the day as they are contacted by children.
3. Fresh Air
  - a. All classrooms will have windows open slightly to allow circulation of fresh air.
  - b. Outdoor play time opportunities will be maximized to naturally allow greater space between children and fresh air.
4. Distancing
  - a. Visitors from outside our program have been canceled.
  - b. Blending of classrooms in common spaces will be kept to a minimum. With small enrollment, we will ensure classroom sizes do not exceed 10 children/staff.
  - c. We will space students as much as possible, with a goal of at least 6 ft.



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- d. Families will be met by a teacher at the door of the school to pick up and drop off children.
  - e. Voluntary exclusion of children from childcare to minimize social contact
  - f. Families have committed to social distancing practices and are only going to essential places such as work, child care, and grocery stores.
5. Exclusion
- a. Vigilant monitoring of symptoms and strict enforcement of wellness policy.
  - b. Ensure staff, children and their family members in care or entering the building are healthy (fever free (100 underarm), no respiratory concerns, no pronounced cough). Daily health checks will be conducted at drop off each day.
    - i. Exclusion is 7 days from the onset of symptoms and 72 hours since the last symptom. This means exclusion for a minimum of seven days and must be fever free with no other signs of illness for 3 days before return to school.
  - c. If a family member is symptomatic, the children in care need to be excluded from care following exclusion guidelines above.
  - d. Anyone family member or child diagnosed with Covid-19 is to notify the center immediately.
    - i. We will notify health officials and conduct a risk assessment, institute proper cleaning procedures, and may be required to close the school for 2-5 days per CDC and health official guidance.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read, understand, and commit to following the response plan as outlined above. Failure to follow the response plan may jeopardize the health and well-being of the A Place to Grow community and may ultimately result in immediate withdrawal per our Center Policies.

I attest that my job duties are classified as “essential services” based on the NH State of Emergency, Stay at Home Order According to Executive Emergency Order #17 Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04 and Exhibit A to Emergency Order #17 in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic or I am a qualified parent/guardian of a child that is eligible related to their special needs or is at high risk by the DCYF definition.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_