

STEPPING STONE UNIVERSITY PRESCHOOL,

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COVID-19 Pandemic Policy

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Stepping Stone University Preschool will follow the recommendations of our local health department, San Luis Obispo County, the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and Community Care Licensing Department (CCLD) for pandemic outbreaks. We will undertake the following precautionary measures, as recommended, to protect our employees and the students we serve at Stepping Stone University Preschool. Our exclusion policy for ill children, staff members, family members, visitors, and volunteers have necessarily become stricter.

Please read and sign below.

- 1. What you will expect from us:
 - Clear communication regarding changes to our policies and daily operations.
 - Daily wellness checks for each teacher and student upon arrival to the center, including but not limited to temperature, and checks for any signs of illness/colds.
 - Increase our daily cleaning and sanitizing routine of the center including but not limited to beds, toys, and other frequently used materials, items, and surfaces.
 - Frequent cleaning and wiping down handles, hard surfaces, sinks, bathroom handles, playground equipment, etc. before, during and after school.
 - Creating visual boundaries in the classroom and carpet squares, and cones outdoors to encourage social distancing.
 - Limiting the class sizes to 10 with consistent children and same staff, daily.
 - Limiting non-essential personnel no volunteers.
 - Using preventative health practices daily including but not limited to, handwashing there will be continued education and insistence on proper handwashing training, covering coughs, and frequent cleaning of the environment.
 - Proper hygiene lessons to all students through demonstrations, skits, and literature.
 - Using gloves for changing clothes and/or diaper changing, and during any other appropriate times.
 - Staff will wear masks during interactions with adults during drop off and pick up transitions. Masks will also be worn when in close proximity to the children when social distancing is not tangible.
 - Taking staff's temperature and logging it daily prior to children arriving at SSUP.
 - Admin staff will take your child's temperature upon arrival and log it prior to signing in.
 - During mealtime/snack time we will space the children apart.
 - During naptime children will be spaced 3-6 ft apart in alternating directions. (When a full day option becomes available).

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- 2. What we expect from you:
 - Daily temperature taken at home prior to arrival. Parents will be required to text child's temperature via REMIND APP. each morning prior to arrival.
 - Parents must bring/wear a mask upon dropping off and picking up.
 - Your child is welcome to wear a mask. This is an individual family decision.
 - If your child has ANY cold, allergy or flu symptoms including but not limited to, watery eyes, runny nose, sore throat not attributed to another condition, cough, shortness of breath, congestion, fever (99 and above), muscle aches not attributed to another condition, please keep them home. We will be strict on our daily wellness checks and sending children home with any signs of cold or illness a person presenting with a temperature, cold, flu, vomiting or diarrhea must stay home until symptom-free for 72 hours without medication.
 - A doctor's note will be required for your child to return to SSUP if your child does contract an illness that requires antibiotics, medical treatment, has a rash and/or is diagnosed with COVID-19.
 - All sign-in and sign-out will be outside in front of the garden area. Only children will enter the school.
 - Sign in/sign out sheets are in each child's individual take home folder; each folder has a Ziplock bag labeled with the student's name and a pen that will be specifically for you to use on a daily basis.
 - One-way entry through the front gate and exit after dropping off through the designated exit located in the preschool playground.
 - Parents may not enter the playground areas to interact with other children. Please limit your time during drop off.
 - If you arrive after 8:30 a.m. your child will not be able to stay due to the length of time it takes to do our morning health check. We need to start class promptly at 8:30 a.m.
 - Only 1 Family member is allowed in the sign in area long enough for wellness checks and to sign in/out.
 - Parents may not enter the classroom. Place all child's belongings in your child's box in the designated "student belonging spaces".
 - Pick up procedure: Please form a social distancing line from blacktop to SSUP entry, bring/wear a mask. We will dismiss each child one by one as we see you in the pickup line starting with the person closest to the gate. Please follow the same entry/ exit route as morning drop off. Keeping in mind 1 family member at the sign in/out table only.
 - Only allow immediate family to pick up or drop off children (or as approved).
 - Notify us if there is anyone in your family that has been exposed to Covid-19 or has been diagnosed with Covid-19; quarantine for 14 days or as advised by your healthcare provider (confidentiality will apply).

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• Prepare back up care for closure if required by the State, county health department, or concerns for our community health and safety, or upon extended teacher illness.

I, ______, affirm I understand that there is a risk my minor(s), myself or my family could contract COVID-19 due to exposure to other children at the school, school employees or agents, or the environment of the school as a result of my and/or child(ren)'s participation. I knowingly and voluntarily agree on behalf of myself and/or my minor(s) to assume this risk and to the maximum extent permitted by law I release and hold harmless **STEPPING STONE UNIVERSITY PRESCHOOL-ASHTANE BIXLER** for any claims, losses, or injuries arising from enrollment of my minor(s) and exposure to COVID 19.

Parent/Guardian/Signature	Date
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