## Curious Critters Early Learning Tree



## **UPDATED WELLNESS POLICIES – Effective 3/11/2021**

The following changes are effective immediately.

- 1. Curious Critters Early Learning Tree reserves the right to terminate childcare services if your family is the subject of repeated "possible exposures".
- 2. If CCELT is required to close due to a <u>student</u> (or a member of their household) being exposed or diagnosed with COVID-19, all families will be required to pay tuition as scheduled.
- 3. If CCELT is required to close due to a <u>staff member</u> (or a member of their household) being exposed or diagnosed with COVID-19, **tuition will be waived**.
- Students that are absent for 2 or more days will require a doctor's note AND
  COVID testing prior to returning. Please notify us in ADVANCE in you have
  planned days off.
- 5. If a student (or member of their household) test positive, that student must stay out for a minimum of 24 days. That child's classroom must quarantine for a minimum of 14 days. All students of that classroom must test negative prior to returning.
- 6. We will no longer follow the Maryland State Department of Education's guidelines on when to exclude a child from the program. Which reads in part, "...COVID-19-like illness is defined as: Any 1 of the following: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste or smell, OR At least 2 of the following: fever of 100.40 or higher (measured or subjective), chills or shaking chills, muscle aches, sore throat, headache, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, and congestion or runny nose.
  - If we notice ANY sign of illness, your child will be turned away or required to be picked up immediately.
- 7. We will no longer administer over the counter or prescribed medications for acute symptoms or illnesses. *The only exceptions will be topical creams and life saving prescribed medications such as EpiPen or inhalers.*

I will host a virtual Zoom meeting on Friday, March 12, 2021 at 4:00pm to answer any questions you may have.

