

## Cary Park District Preschool Discipline Guidelines

Although the Cary Park District recognizes that misbehavior is part of a child's developmental process, behavior guidelines and expectations are put in place to address more severe and/or continuous behavior difficulties. The primary goal of the behavior expectations is to provide a safe and respectful environment for the children, staff, and parents/guardians.

## **PRESCHOOL RULES:**

- Be Safe
- Be Neat
- Be Kind

## **BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS:**

- Show respect to staff, other children, property, equipment, and facilities
- Take direction from staff and show cooperation with group activities/daily schedule
- Refrain from teasing and unkind behaviors
- Refrain from deliberately causing harm to others by displaying physically aggressive behaviors
- May not leave the program area (whether indoors or outdoors) without permission

A caring and positive approach will be used in regard to discipline. Preschool teachers will try to accomplish this through:

- Establishing simple and understandable rules/expectations
  - We do not hurt ourselves, others, etc.
- Redirecting the child
- Providing motivation and using positive reinforcements
- Encouraging children to "use their words" to resolve conflict

Preschool Teachers will work closely with parents/guardians and the Preschool Director to work towards positive and safe behavior within the program. If the child's behavior continues to be inappropriate, consistently disruptive and/or dangerous, the child may be removed from the program.

Cary Park District reserves the right to immediately suspend or remove any participant whose actions are seen as severe and/or detrimental to the Preschool program. Each situation will be evaluated on its own merit. Refunds or credits will not be issued for suspensions or removal from the program.

I have read and discussed the above Preschool Discipline Guidelines with my child.		
Child Name	Date	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	