

MONTESSORI PATHWAY INC

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN DISCIPLINE POLICY

The children are free to explore as long as they:

- Do not hurt themselves or others
- Do not do anything harmful to the school environment
- Do not disturb other people

The purpose of these rules is to nurture the development of self-respect, respect for others and respect for the environment.

The development of inner discipline in a child is always the goal with Montessori education. Self-discipline is fostered in many ways. The classroom environment is organized in an orderly, logical manner. Children, typically, choose work that they are capable of doing and are free to use it for as long as they wish without interference from others. This approach alleviates many problems of discipline that might be present in another kind of environment. In addition, the mixed age group allows the younger children to emulate the older children's more mature behavior.

In order to establish a peaceful environment, the ideas and procedures for discipline in Pathway Montessori include the following:

The Teachers set clear, consistent limits as to acceptable behavior. They explain the reasons for these limits and state them in positive, rather than negative phrasing.

Teachers work to establish honest, secure and supportive relationships with the children in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Teachers anticipate problems and redirect students to an appropriate activity before a conflict or problem arises.

Teachers observe carefully to discover when and why problems may occur and how they might be prevented.

Children may be asked to sit in a different place in the group circle or during class time they may be asked to move to another table where there are fewer distractions.

If a child is having many difficulties and it doesn't appear that they will regain their composure that day a parent may be called to pick up the child. This measure would be used as a last resort and in a non-punitive manner.

Physical punishment or verbal abuse is forbidden. Denying basic physical necessities or use of physical restraint, confinement or isolation is prohibited.

I have read and understood the school's discipline policy.

Parent Signature

Child's Name

Montessori Pathway Inc

Release Form

Throughout the course of the year, staff may take pictures, voice or video recordings of your child, to be used in newspaper articles, brochures, web-site displays or other school-related purposes. Please sign the form below to indicate that we can use this material without contacting you in future. If you have any concerns relating to security or privacy issues please do not hesitate to contact us.

Student's Name _____

I hereby give permission to Montessori Pathway Inc to use any film or photo that may be taken during my child's enrolment at this school.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date:
