

OLGC Preschool

Health and Safety Measures for COVID 19

At OLGC Preschool we are following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) to ensure a safe environment as we open our school to students and staff.

Morning Arrival

Students will be met at their cars. If a completed daily health questionnaire including the child's temperature has been received electronically, the child will be escorted from the car to the classroom by a staff member.

Children will be required to use hand sanitizer immediately upon entering the building.

Only OLGC students and OLGC staff will be allowed in the building.

Healthy Environment

Classes of children will remain stable in that the same children will remain together with the same staff members each day. All classes will remain separate to reduce the possibility of viral transmission.

Equipment used in the program is not shared and is cleaned between uses.

Staff will routinely disinfect high contact surfaces such as door handles, faucets, table tops, etc.

Toys that cannot be washed will not be used.

Children are not allowed to bring toys from home.

Staff will perform an enhanced deep cleaning every afternoon.

Staff and children will wash their hands frequently throughout the morning, including before and after eating, after using the toilet, after playing outside, and following any contact with bodily fluids.

Students are highly encouraged to wear masks. **Effective October 5, 2020, students will be required to wear masks while on school property.**

Appropriate social distancing will be maintained whenever possible.

Masks

Masks should properly cover the mouth and nose and fit securely around the sides of the face. Gator-type masks and masks with vents are not appropriate for school.

Students should have a spare mask available at school.

Masks should be washed between uses.

Masks are not worn during snack and water breaks. Students will be socially distanced at six feet during this time.

Snacks

All surfaces are disinfected before snack using EPA-approved disinfecting products.

All staff and students will wash their hands before and after snack.

Child Health

Children who begin to experience symptoms of illness, including a fever, cough, chills, runny nose, sore throat, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell, or stomach distress will be isolated from other children until picked up by a parent or designated adult. The parent should arrange to pick up the child within 30 minutes of being notified.

Staff Health

Staff will receive additional training on COVID symptoms, infection control, cleaning and disinfecting.

Each staff member will have his/her temperature taken upon arrival, and will be asked to respond to a daily health questionnaire.

Staff experiencing any symptoms of infectious illness will not be allowed to work. Staff will be required to quarantine if any member of their household has COVID symptoms.

Staff will wash their hands upon arrival, frequently during the morning, and immediately prior to leaving the building.

Staff will wear masks and smocks.

Communication

Families must supply OLGC Preschool with up-to-date emergency contact information for their child.

OLGC uses multiple methods to communicate with parents, including email, telephone, website and social media.