Busy Bee Childhood Development Center, Inc.

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WELLNESS POLICY

It is a fact of life that children get sick, and if you have a full time job it can be extremely difficult to cope with a sick child. When a child is ill, they need their Mommy or Daddy. They also need plenty of rest to get better. It is only fair to your child that they get better in a quiet environment. Additionally, a sick child can infect other children, their parents, as well as teachers who are responsible for those children.

<u>California law requires that preschool children who are sick leave school and not return until the child is symptom free for 48 hours.</u> This is not 48 hours from being sent home, but 48 hours from the time antibiotics are started, or a fever is gone without medication. This might be 2-3 days after the child leaves the school.

The following symptoms require your child be sent home: Vomiting; Diarrhea; Runny nose with green or yellow discharge or associate fever, cough; Fever of 100.4 degrees or higher; Conjunctivitis or pink eye; Rashes (excluding diaper rash); Open sores; Chicken pox; and Lice or other hair infestation.

It is imperative that you find alternative care for the times when your child is ill. Do not wait until after your child is sick to find alternate care. Develop a plan of action now. It is important to make your job aware that you may have to miss work to take care of your child.

Do not bring your child to school if he or she is sick. Do not trivialize a children's illness. If you find yourself saying the following statements, then you should keep your child at home:

- "She had a cough and couldn't sleep, so I gave her..."
- "He had a fever last night, but it is gone this morning"
- "She threw up last night, but now she is okay"
- "He wasn't feeling well, so I gave him Tylenol and now he is okay"

MEDICATION: We allow medications to be administered to children only with written referral from a physician and the corresponding required LIC 9221 "Parent Consent for Administration of Medicines and Medicine Chart" form. All medications, both over the counter and prescribed, must be in their original packaging and labeled with the child's full name. Medications will be kept in secured locations away from children and will be administered by either the teacher or director.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by Busy Bee's Wellness Policy.	
Signed	Date
Child's Name	