

Behavior Policy

Positive behavior is what we strive for at Trinity Lutheran Preschool. We as teachers do our best to exemplify positive behavior. The children are commended daily for positive behavior. Please review the behavior expectations listed below. Both parents are asked to review and sign the "Behavior Policy Form", please see the attached page. The teachers will explain behavior expectations to all children on the first day of school.

Behavior expectations are as follows – Participants must:

- ❖ Respect themselves, other children, staff, facility and supplies/equipment.
- ❖ Follow directions
- ❖ Have fun!
- ❖ Positive encouragement to self and others.
- ❖ The preschool WILL NOT tolerate aggressive behavior (i.e. hitting, kicking, biting, etc.)

The purpose of this form is to protect the rights of the teachers and the rights of other children who sometimes become victims of an aggressive child. As a general rule, aggressive behavior does not include running, sitting still, keeping hands to self, etc. in which occasional time-outs may be used. We hope this policy does not affect anyone, but we must protect the teacher's rights and the rights of children in our care.

If your child engages in behaviors that are unsafe and/or disruptive which will endanger himself/herself or another participant, or interfere with successful completion of the program, the following procedures will be followed. **The Preschool Board has the right to intervene at any time during this process. As parents, you have the right to request a meeting with the Preschool Board.**

1. The child will be given an explanation by the teacher of his/her aggressive behavior and will be given a warning that includes further consequences if the behavior continues. If the aggressive behavior continues, the child will be given a time-out and the child will be placed away from the group for at least five minutes. The teacher will inform the child's parents of the child's actions, upon the arrival of the parent or a phone call.
2. On the second offense, the parent(s) will be contacted about the specific incident at the end of the day or sooner as deemed appropriate by the teacher.
3. On the third offense, the parent(s) will be contacted and the child must be removed from the preschool immediately for the remainder of the day. At this point, seeking assistance for the child's behavior is strongly recommended. The teacher can provide information on how to access community resources.
4. On the fourth offense, the parent(s) will be called and the child must be removed from the preschool immediately for the remainder of the day. The child will be removed until a meeting including the Parent(s), staff and a board representative(s) to discuss a behavior plan to be implemented.
5. On the fifth offense, the child will not be allowed to return to preschool and his place will be forfeited.

BEHAVIOR POLICY FORM

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE TO THE TEACHER/DIRECTOR AT TRINITY LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL.

After you have reviewed the behavior policy on the previous page, please sign and return this before the beginning of the school year.

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Comments:

What are effective ways to help your child maintain positive behavior?

Please check the box if you have received and reviewed a copy of Trinity Lutheran Preschool's Handbook and Behavior Policy and sign and date below

Father's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mother's Signature: _____ Date: _____