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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, he or she needs her 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.

California law requires that preschool children who is sick leave school and not return until the child is symptom free for 24 hours. This is not 24 hours from being sent home, but 24 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 associated fever, cough; Fever of 101 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 child's illness. If you find yourself saying the following things, then you should keep your child at home:

"She had a cough and couldn't sleep, so I gave him..."

"He had a fever last night, but it is gone this morning"

"She threw up last night, but now he is okay"

"He wasn't feeling well, so I gave her Tylenol and now she is okay"

MEDICATION: No over the counter medicine will be administered by Busy Bee staff at all. Please do not ask. Busy Bee can only administer prescribed medicine, at noon, and with your written permission. A copy of the prescription with the doctor's signature must be provided. All prescription medicine must be in their original packaging. A medication form with dosage information must be filled out for each medication.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by Busy Bee's wellness Policy.

Signed _____ Date _____
Child's Name _____