

We are looking forward to the summer and would like to give you some information about the exciting plans we have for your children.

We are hoping for great weather so we can spend as much time as possible in our wonderful Nature Explore Classroom®. Based on our research, we have discovered how important it is for children to connect with nature. Many of our plans this summer will focus on helping your child discover nature in a variety of ways.

Please feel free to ask teachers and your children about what they are doing because they will be very excited to tell you! You will also want to follow us on Facebook. We will be updating it frequently with summer news and activities.

We do go outside as much as possible, so you need to:

- Apply sunscreen on your children **BEFORE** you bring them.
- Have them wear tennis shoes or shoes that are good for running and playing outside.
(NO FLIP-FLOPS or CROCS)

Please read the following information and make sure you have filled out completely all online forms. They must be completed **before Monday, May 20th**. It is very important that your summer information is current in case of an emergency. Contact our office at 476-8304 or jeanp@dimensioned.org with any questions.

Thanks for your help in making this a great summer!

Arrival and Pick-Up Times

Teachers come early and work hard to set up all the exciting activities that take place during Summer Sessions. Please do not bring your child until we open the doors to the classrooms at 8:45 AM and pick them up promptly at their scheduled pick-up time.

We expect you to arrive to pick up your child at the time that you signed up for on your application form. Drop-off before your scheduled time and pickup after your schedule will be subject to a \$25.00 early/late fee. If you must change your child's schedule, there will be a \$25 change fee. We will not release children to anyone who is not listed on the online consent form unless we have been notified of other arrangements. Be sure you have parents on that list, too. A Photo ID will be required for everyone listed other than parents or guardians.

<u>ARRIVAL and PICK-UP</u>

First-Plymouth

Preschool and K-1: Use the east entrance (large parking lot on 21st Street). Class lists will be posted in the hallway.

Infants and Toddlers: Use the west entrance on 20th street. Their classrooms are downstairs and to the left.

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Toddler, Preschool and K-1: Use the North Entrance (behind the building). Please park in a designated spot in the lot.

Infants: Use the South Entrance (in front of the building). This lot is reserved for families with Infants and Dimensions Foundation visitors.

Entrances are secured. You will need to use your PIN number, which will be sent to you before the session begins.

Please do not bring children before your contracted start time, and be sure you pick them up no later than your contracted end time.

Health and Clothing

Please do not send your child if they are sick with a fresh cold; red throat; fever; rash; wet, thick cough; green, runny nose; or if they are contagious in any way. If your child has been sick with a fever, vomiting, or diarrhea, we require that your child must be symptom-free without medication for at least 24 hours before returning to our program. Please notify the office at 476-8304 if your child will be absent for any reason.

Children should wear comfortable clothes and appropriate shoes (no flip-flops or Crocs) for gym and outdoor play. We are not equipped to change diapers during the Preschool sessions, but we certainly are prepared to deal with a few “accidents” from time to time. We have emergency clothing on hand for just that reason. If you think your child might need a change of clothes once in a while, you’re welcome to send your own “emergency clothes” in a tote bag to keep on your child’s coat hook. We do ask, however, that your child be out of diapers and pull-ups. Be sure to label all items your child brings.

Emergencies

Please be sure teachers know where to reach at least one parent at all times. If you will be unavailable, please be sure the emergency contact(s) named on the online consent form is available. We have had sick children wait several hours because we were not able to reach anyone.

Snacks

Your child will have the opportunity to have a snack each day. If you would like to provide the snack for the day, watch for an email link to sign up.

If Your Child Eats Lunch at Summer Sessions

Please make sure your child's lunch has his/her name on the **OUTSIDE**. Upon arrival, please put your child’s lunch in the basket in the hallway marked with your child’s group name (see list posted). Please remember that children will NOT have access to a refrigerator or microwave. If you have foods that need to stay cold, please use a frozen cold pack.

If Your Child Naps at Summer Sessions...

You are welcome to send a **small** pillow and/or blanket for your child that **we will store here**. (Be sure to label these items.)