



## RLCDC's Health and Safety Protocols

- **Handwashing and sanitizing.** Everyone who enters the building will need to wash hands, and we'll continue to integrate handwashing into the curriculum. Hand sanitizer will only be available for adults to use in cases where they can't get to soap and water in a timely manner.
- **Drop off /Pick up:** We will be setting up a drop off /pick up area for Waddler, Toddler, Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten in the newly gated area in front of the building. One parent at a time will come to the gated area to drop off or pick up their child. *Parents will not be able to enter the building at this time.* Drop off time will be from 7am-9:30am unless you request a different time. You will also tell us when you plan on picking up your child so we can have them ready for you at the end of their day. **ALL PARENTS MUST WEAR A MASK FOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP.** 😊
- **Infant Drop off/Pick up:** Parents will enter the sign in/out area and hand the child and supplies to a staff person or staff person hand the child and supplies to parent. We will have you exit the building through the music room so that the next person can move into the sign in/out space.
- **Health screening and temperature checks.** All staff will be asked to take their temperature each day and must be fever-free before arriving at RLCDC. When a parent signs in for the day, they will need to fill out a wellness checklist and the child's temperature will be taken with an infrared thermometer. (No contact thermometer) A fever is anything that registers 100.4 degrees or higher. Once the screening is complete a staff member will bring the child into the building to wash their hands and then to their classroom.
- **Stay home if sick.** If you or your child has been sick, we ask that the ill person stay home until they've been symptom-free without medication for at least **48 hours**. Classrooms will be open to well individuals only.
- **Children who become ill during the day:** Parents must be prepared to have someone able to pick up a sick child within 20 minutes of notification.
- **Sick space.** RLCDC will have a dedicated space (in or out of the classroom) where staff can care for sick children while being separated from others until a family member can come to pick up.
- **Social distancing.** We will not require children to practice social distancing in the classrooms. However, learning stations, meal spaces and nap spaces will be spread out to minimize the spread of germs.
- **Masks:** Staff and children (ages 3-6) are required to wear masks.
- **Modifications to family-style dining.** We've modified our shared mealtime practices to reduce the spread of germs. Students will still eat together but will not be serving themselves. Also, all lunches need to be ready to serve. *We are unable to heat up or otherwise prepare foods for lunch other than to open containers etc.*
- **Backpacks:** We are trying to limit how many things go back and forth between home and school so if your child does not need a backpack, please don't send one 😊 We are asking that each child have a set of spare clothing placed in a gallon sized Ziploc bag labeled with your child's first and last name. We will keep this in your child's cubby and ask for it to be replaced as it is utilized. It is preferable that lunches are completely disposable and are put in a paper sack.
- **Classroom cleanliness.** Toys, and other high-touch surfaces will be regularly disinfected and rotated throughout the day. We will discontinue the use of sensory tables, play dough, large pillows or stuffed animals, and other materials that are difficult to clean.
- **Naptime adjustments.** Children will nap six feet apart whenever possible and be positioned alternating head to toe or toe to toe. Bedding will be laundered in the center and not sent home. This means that you cannot send the special blanket or stuffed animal that your child has to have nightly for a peaceful bedtime routine unless you have more than one 😊
- **What happens if we have someone related to the school who tests positive for Covid-19:** We will immediately contact the Pima County Health Department and follow the guidelines for infected persons and communities of people. All staff and families in the entire school will be notified regardless of the classroom involved.