



le petit elephant

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Illness Policy Specific to COVID-19 Restrictions by the CDC & Community Care Licensing

This policy will supersede LPE's original illness policy and will remain in effect until you are notified otherwise. Le Petit Elephant will still enforce its current illness policy as outlined in our Parent Handbook for any illness/symptoms not included in the list below in addition to the following guidelines listed below due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

- Daily health screening report conducted by the parent/guardian that includes a temperature check at home which will be submitted via Google Forms prior to your child/ren entering a school building. If your child exhibits a fever of 100.4 degrees F or any symptoms listed below, they will not be allowed and siblings will not be allowed to return to school until deemed healthy by a physician stating that the child is healthy to be in a group care setting.

Covid-19 Specific Guidance:

Typically, human coronaviruses cause mild-to-moderate respiratory illness. Symptoms are wide ranging and can be similar to the flu, including:

- Fever over 100.4F
- Persistent cough
- Shortness of breath
- Chills/body aches
- Runny nose/congestion
- Nausea
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Fatigue

Staying home when sick and getting tested:

a. Follow the strategy for Staying Home when Sick and Getting Tested from the [CDC](#).

b. Get tested for COVID-19 when symptoms are [consistent with COVID-19](#) to help with rapid contact tracing and prevent possible spread at school.

c. Staff members and students with symptoms of COVID-19 infection cannot return to LPE until they have met all criteria to return to school:

- At least 72 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications; and
- Other symptoms have improved; and
- One of the following:
 - They have a negative PCR test for SARS-CoV-2, OR
 - a healthcare provider has provided documentation that the symptoms are typical of their underlying chronic condition (e.g., allergies or asthma) OR
 - a healthcare provider has confirmed an alternative named diagnosis (e.g., Streptococcal pharyngitis, Coxsackie virus), OR
 - at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset.

❖ If your child becomes ill with any of the above symptoms while at LPE you will be notified immediately and will need to pick up your child/ren within 30 minutes . Your child/ren will then be in the office with a management staff member.

❖ Your child should not be given fever reducing medication in order to attend LPE. If you give your child fever reducing medication before bringing your child to school, you will not be permitted to drop off. If you give your child medication and fail to inform LPE of doing so this is ground for dismissal of the program.

➔ I understand and hereby agree to the interim Covid19 policies at Le Petit Elephant Nursery and Preschool as outlined above. I understand that failure to follow these policies could result in our dismissal from the program.

_____ Parent Signature

_____ Parent's Name

_____ Date

_____ Child's Name