



Aggressive Behavior Policy

All children need to be able to participate in Kids Cove Preschool planned activities and be able to follow simple directions.

As with all aggressive behaviors parents are notified with each incident. Aggressive and hurtful behavior includes but is not limited to: biting, hitting, kicking, pushing, and pinching. Such behavior is not appropriate. We will use positive guidance and redirection as our primary methods of discipline. We will use “time to think” as a last resort. “Time to think” is when a child is separated from the current activity (while still being supervised) for no more than one minute per year of the child’s age up to five minutes. It will always be accompanied by a conversation with a staff member regarding their behavior. We will try to recognize and acknowledge their feelings while also talking with the child about the appropriate way to behave the next time they feel that way. If this does not change their behavior, the following steps may be taken:

- STEP 1:** Teacher and/or Director coaching the child and contact with the parent.
- STEP 2:** Parent - Teacher conference in hopes of coming up with an action plan to help the child change their aggressive behavior.
- STEP 3:** Second Conference at which time the parent may be asked to find alternate child care if the behavior has not improved.

Any or all of the above steps may be skipped or omitted as deemed appropriate based on the extent of the aggressive behavior and circumstances.

I have read and acknowledged the above Aggressive Behavior Policy.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date