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SONSHINE SCHOOL



OUR PHILOSOPHY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES

- We see each child as a unique individual created by God.
- We understand the importance of family in the child's life and seek to support that bond by working together.
- We want each child, parent, and staff person to have the best possible experience in our program. We encourage open lines of communication between our staff and our families.
- We see each child as an active learner and we encourage the child's ability to make choices and decisions about what to do and how to do it, with gentle adult guidance.
- We work to see that each child has the ability to express thoughts, ideas, and feelings and is able to communicate them with teachers and other children in the class.
- We encourage each child's abilities by providing a variety of hands-on experiences and materials with which to work.
- We encourage the child to think and to use their senses to plan, learn, and problem solve.
- We encourage the child to think about their choices and actions and how they affect other children in the class.
- We work to provide a secure, loving, and relaxing atmosphere where children can grow in the "Son" and parents can feel secure leaving their little ones.

Sonshine School is a ministry of the Overland Park Church of Christ. We are a Christian based school.

We believe in God, Jesus – his Son, and the Holy Spirit. We believe the Bible is God's inspired word and we use it to teach God's words.

SONSHINE SCHOOL POLICIES

TUITION

- Payment is due the 20th of each month for 9 payments starting August 20th- April 20th. Bring payment to the Sonshine School office or place in the box on the lower level by the door to room G01. Our month runs from the 20th – the 20th.
- Checks are to be made payable to SONSHINE SCHOOL. On the memo line write your child (ren)'s first and last name, especially if child's name is different from the name on the check. We also accept cash, money order or ACH (automatic withdrawal-year to year)
- If you are late with your payment, it may be necessary to assess a 10% late fee on the 29th of the month, or for your child to be withdrawn from school. Making special arrangements with the directors ahead of time will avoid this extra fee. If two consecutive payments are missed, a student's enrollment status may be jeopardized until payment is made. If a payment plan needs to be developed, contact the Directors.
- **Tuition is the same each month.** NO reduction for absences, vacations, or shortened months (no increase for longer months).
- If your check or ACH is returned for any reason, you will be charged the amount of the tuition plus any bank charges.
- All credits on accounts go to zero at the end of each school year.

SCHOOL PROGRAM AND HOURS

- Sonshine School's year is from the end of August to mid-May.
- Days are: Monday-Thursday, Hours are: 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Kids Day Out Classes: (children 2 ½ and younger) Bear, Bunny, Duck, Penguin are chosen by the day and operate Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
- Preschool Class: (3-year-olds) Bees is Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday & Ladybug is offered Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday (multiple days offered if available space)
- Pre-K class: (4-year-olds) Dino is offered Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday (multiple days offered if available space)

DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES

- Parents may park in the front or back parking spaces. A crosswalk is provided for safe crossing on the front parking lot. Please be sure to hold your child (ren)'s hand.
- Never leave children unattended, this includes in the car, on the playground or in the building. (Never leave younger siblings in the car while you "run in").
- Please drive slowly in the parking lot.
- The curbs in front of the building are fire lanes and may not be used to drop off and pick up children. The State Fire Marshall prohibits parking there.
- Parking in handicap parking can result in a significant fine.
- Children are to be taken to class by an adult between 9:25 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Sonshine School's responsibility begins when you bring your child to the teacher at the classroom door. Being on time will help your child enjoy classroom time. Consistently being tardy makes it hard for some children to separate and bond with the other children.
- Sign in your child, write who to call in an emergency and leave numbers, also leave the name of the person who will be picking your child up. If the pickup or emergency name is not the parent, be sure they are on your emergency form in the Sonshine School office. Include people you carpool with, babysitters, relatives and neighbors that might pick-up your child, they must be at least 16 years of age.
- If the pickup person is on your emergency form and we recognize them, we will not ask for I.D.

- If the pickup person is on your form, but we do not recognize them, we will ask to see their Driver's License, so please let them know to check in at the school office and have their driver's license with them.
- If a situation arises where all the authorized people are unable to pick up your child, please call the school, explain the situation and tell us who will be coming for your child. Ask them to come to the office and show us their driver's license, so we know they are who you said would be coming.
- Sonshine School's responsibility ends when the parent or pick up person receives your child at the door of the classroom.
- All children are to be picked up by 2:30. At 2:40 the children will be taken to the office and the parent or "pick up" person will be called. A late fee of \$1 per minute per child will start. In order that extenuating circumstances may be taken into account, a one-time "grace" may be given. Late fees will be charged for those making a habit of arriving late, or for those who have "fallen asleep" or "lost track of time".

ABSENCE

- Please notify the child's teacher or leave a message on Sonshine School's answering machine, 913-385-0497, or send an email to grow@opsonshine.org when your child will be absent. If we have not heard from you, we will follow up with a phone call.
- If you are going out of town and your child will still be attending school, be sure to let the director's office know. Add the names and numbers of the person(s) responsible for your child while you are away to your forms. Give information in writing to the teachers.

FORMS

- Licensing requires us to have enrollment, health, and emergency forms on file the first day the child attends. (In custody cases – custodial parent MUST sign forms.)
- The information must be current, so please keep us informed of changes (i.e., job, phone numbers, insurance, doctor, and immunization updates).
- It is the responsibility of the custodial parent(s) or guardian to inform the school if custody of the child is restricted. A copy of the court papers will be needed as a part of the child's records. Sonshine School will abide by the court order regarding the "rights" of the child.

WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL (For Any Reason)

- August thru December Two weeks written/verbal notification is needed. Two weeks tuition (per number of days) will be accepted in lieu of notification.
- January & February, One month written/verbal notification is needed. One month tuition will be accepted in lieu of notification.
- Tuition for April and May will be due if notice is given after March 1.
- If you are on ACH (ACH continues from year to year), you must let us know by August 1 that you do not wish to continue, or tuition will come out of your account on August 20th.

SNACK

- Each class will have a morning snack. Sonshine School will furnish the cups and napkins, but parents will bring the nutritional snack. State regulations require that at least 2 of the following be included:
 1. Milk, milk product, or food made with milk:
 2. Fruit, vegetable or full-strength fruit or vegetable juice:
 3. Meat or a meat alternate; or
 4. Bread; bread product or cereal (ex. Crackers, muffins, things low in sugar)

- Teachers will give you a snack list that will include the above information and if any children in the room have allergies. Please do not send snacks that contain peanuts, tree nuts, fish, or shellfish in our KDO classes to help in the prevention of unknown allergies.
- The snack list will contain the dates you are to bring snack.

HEALTH AND ALLERGIES

- Keep your child home if he/she has any cold symptoms, for many contagious diseases start with cold symptoms.
- We follow Johnson County recommendations on page 13. This is for your child's welfare, as well as others.
- When a child becomes sick at school, we will call mom, dad, and the emergency name in that order unless parent has left other instruction of who to call. The child would need to be picked up as soon as possible if symptoms warrant exclusion. Let us know who will be picking up your child. Be sure pick up person is on your emergency form. If the symptoms do not warrant exclusion, you will be called and notified of the symptoms, at that time we will ask you to stay accessible in case the child's conditions worsen or you can choose to pick the child up.
- Parents will be notified if their child has been exposed to a communicable disease. Parents must notify the school if their child has been diagnosed with a communicable disease.
- Medications for severe health or behavior concerns must be in the original pharmacy container with child's name, name of medicine, dosage, dosage intervals, and name of physician. Medicine will be locked in storage bag and administered by one person, according to instructions. Please see the directors to give parental permission and fill out state forms to be kept on file. All other medication should be given at home.
- If your child has severe allergies or any other medical concerns, you will need to see the directors and fill out an Emergency Health Care Plan form. If needed, fill out short/long term medication forms. Allergies will be posted in the room.

SCHOOL ENTRANCE DOORS

- The main Sonshine school entrance is on the upper parking lot by the playground. There is another entrance on the back side of the church. Both these doors are unlocked from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. and from 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.
- If the doors are locked, we can buzz you in at the main Sonshine school entrance. Press the white button on the brick wall to your left and identify your needs. Lower-level entrance is only unlocked during drop off and pick up times. There is not a buzzer at the lower door.
- For "special events" the doors will be unlocked at the appropriate times.
- We have an extra measure of security in our building. The glass doors located by our Bear class on the main level will also be locked from the main foyer entrance.

SUGGESTION AND/OR CONCERNS

- **CONCERNS** about your child's classroom, schedule, or teachers need to be addressed with the directors. Please come to the directors as soon as you have a concern. Your suggestion will be listened to, and the situation will be investigated. We will get back to you with our findings and recommendation. At that time, we will discuss the appropriate action. Appropriate actions could be ongoing communication between parents and staff, gathering more information, possible referrals, or necessary changes in the best interest of the child and school.

- **COMPLAINTS** about teachers must be submitted in writing to the directors. A meeting between teacher, parent and director will then be set up to discuss the matter. Complaints about the directors must be submitted in writing to Fred Fulks (Overland Park Church of Christ, 13400 W.119th St., Overland Park, KS 66213), then a time will be set up to discuss the matter.

PREVENTION OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT

- Our teachers are trained to notice abuse and are required by law to report possible cases to DCF.

Sonshine School admits students of any race, color, national origin or ancestry, physical handicap, religion, or sex. We admit children within the ages licensed by the state.

GENERAL CLASSROOM POLICIES

PLAY/WEATHER

- We do go outside, unless it is 20 degrees or colder or raining, etc. Children must have appropriate clothing for the weather during recess. Recess may be limited for cold weather or if heat index is 95 degrees or higher. Please mark all outerwear, as many children wear similar sweaters, jackets, raincoats, etc.
- Boots for snow or rain should be easy to get on and marked well with child's name.

CLOTHING

- Dress in as simple clothing as possible.
- Eliminate suspenders and belts especially when potty training.
- Remember we play outside and use paint, so washable clothing is recommended.
- Shoes - like tennis shoes - that the child can run and play in are recommended. **Please no strappy sandals, flip flops, clogs, or dress shoes that can fall off, cause tripping, or are slippery on the playground.**

LUNCH

- Each child should bring a Lunch Box and Thermos with Straw or no spill bottle with milk.
- Make sure all items in lunch box are labeled.
- Send only finger food with younger children to encourage self-sufficiency. If sending yogurt, pudding, or fruit cans with older children, make sure they are easy-to-open. Send disposable eating utensils only. Suggestions for lunch ideas will be discussed at meet the teacher events (held in your child's classroom). ChooseMyPlate.gov
- No gum or soda pop in lunch.
- Refrigeration is available for perishable food. Please bring foods that are not easily perishable, include an icepack.
- Each child needs a toothbrush. Should child forget their toothbrush, a disposable one can be provided.

BIRTHDAY TIMES FOR TWO AND OLDER

- Check with your child's teacher on suggestions appropriate for birthday snack. Classes will recognize each child's birthday in a special way.
- To alleviate hurt feelings, we ask no invitations for parties be brought to school, unless entire class is invited. **NO** party favors or "treat bags" will be given out at school.

NURSERY CHILDREN

- If your child is in diapers, please bring disposable diapers. Diaper wipes must be alcohol-free.

- Children under 2 years should bring 2 complete changes of clothes and socks.
- Please label everything—lunch box, thermos, sheet, diaper bag, bottles, and everything else your child brings.
- If your child is 12 to 23 months, please have a schedule and special instructions of their daily routine or needs, taped on the outside of diaper bag.

POTTY TRAINING

- Sonshine School will work with families on potty training.
- A potty-training sheet will be given at the time you are interested in starting to train.
- Potty-training will not be started the last month of school.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Yearly Calendar is in the Parent Handbook and found on our website. At the start of each month, teachers of 2's and older will hand out or email monthly calendars and snack lists. Mark your calendars accordingly.
- No money should be sent to school. Parent should take toys home unless they are for show and tell. Things of value should not be brought to school. Any items brought from home are at your own risk. (No knives, or sharp objects can be brought to school.)
- Parents may volunteer in the room. We need on file a Kansas Bureau of Investigation check, health form, and negative TB test.
- Parents can visit and pick up children, as desired.

Discipline Policy

Infants and Toddlers

- Distract (or re-direct) infant/toddler away from non-desired activity.
- Consistency in words and actions for the same misbehaviors so infant/toddler knows what to expect.
- "NO" will be used when infant/toddler is in danger.
- If child is hurting self or others, teacher may hold child or child may be placed in crib for a cooling down time. Parent will be notified at pick-up.
- Parents are encouraged to communicate with school about infant toddler behavior and school will communicate with parent about behaviors.

Two and Two and Half Year Olds

- Duplicate toys will be provided to help discourage non-sharing behaviors.
- Distraction will be used to redirect child to a more desired behavior.
- Consistency in words and actions will be used for same misbehaviors so children will know what to expect.
- Time out will be used sparingly for behaviors where child needs to "calm down".
- Child will be taken to office, if he/she needs a "cooling" off period to regain control of themselves – parent will be notified.
- Parent will be called for repeat behaviors and a "course of action" will be agreed upon and used both at home and school for child to have consistency.

Preschool & Pre-K age

- Child will be allowed to make acceptable choices and experience the consequences of that choice (teacher guided).
- Children will be encouraged to work out a solution to solve a problem.
- In certain cases, children with teacher's guidance will help make "class" rules.
- Consistency in words and action will be used for same misbehaviors so children know what to expect.

- Child will learn rules by verbal repetition of rules.
- Separation will be used for behaviors where child needs to think about actions. Parent will be notified at pick up.
- Child will be taken to office if he/she needs a "cooling" off period. Parent will be notified.
- Parent will be called for repeat behaviors and a "course of action" will be agreed upon and used both at home and school for consistency.

At no time, will there be spanking or a method of punishment that is prohibited by state regulations.

Biting Policy

- Teacher will be consistent in watching child and trying to stop behavior before it happens.
- Teacher will firmly say "NO! People are not for biting." Teacher will redirect infant/toddler to another activity. Preschool children will have a time out to gain control.
- If necessary, teacher will separate infant/toddler for a cooling off time: to crib with an activity and parent will be notified at pick-up.
- First offense, parent will be given pamphlet on "biting behaviors in young children".
- Second offense, parent will be called to discuss a "course of action", and child will need to be removed from school for the rest of the day.
- Third offense, parent will be called, and a "course of action" will be decided, and child will need to be removed from school for the rest of day.
- Repeat offenses could result in child needing to withdraw from school.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- Sonshine School keeps a weather radio in the director's office. A second weather radio is in the main church office. We have access to the weather on our computers, telephone, and television.
- We have specific emergency plans posted in each room.
- Parents are encouraged to come early to pick up children if they are concerned about the forecast.
- If inclement weather occurs during drop-off or pick-up time you can choose to take shelter with us.

IN THE EVENT OF Snow or Ice

- Canceling school will be based on the forecast, our parking lot conditions, and what the nearby school districts are doing.
- A decision to cancel is usually made by 7:00 a.m. The teachers will call each family usually between 7:30-8:45 a.m.
- Our intention when we start the day is to stay until 2:30 p.m.
- We encourage parents to stay aware of the weather forecast. If weather deteriorates (especially freezing rain or ice) we encourage you to pick-up your child before conditions become hazardous. As children leave and the ratio of children to teacher changes, we will re-group children in classes to allow teachers with the farthest to travel to leave early.
- Our arrangement with the snow removal company is to scoop once there is 2 inches of snow. So, depending on his other contracts, he will get here sometime after that.
- The front lot and front walkways will be done first. There may be times that the lower-level walkways and parking lot are not scooped or salted, and everyone should use the upper entrances.
- If pick-up time is extremely hazardous to walk on the sidewalks, we will have all classes come to the foyer area and have you drive thru and pick up your children.

- Time permitting, we call each family and notify them of the plan. To limit the traffic jam, we may need to stagger the pick-up times.

Severe Storms with Concerns of Lightning, Winds, Hail, Heavy Rains

- A count will be taken to ensure that all children are inside.
- If hail is large enough that a window breaking is a concern, blinds will be closed, and children will be kept away from windows. If needed, children will be taken to an interior room.
- We are not in a flood zone. If needed, we can bring all classes to the main level or level 2.

Tornadoes

- Each room has 2 plans posted for tornadoes.
Plan one is for when we have enough warning to get down to level G. The Bear, Bunny, Duck, Penguin, Bee and Ladybug classes are all in the men's and women's restrooms on level G. Rhino class is in their own restroom and Dino class is in the media center.
- Plan two is for when the threat is too immediate to chance getting everyone safely to the G level. This plan has classes in an area (restroom, interior hall) close to their room and away from windows.
- A count will be taken to ensure we have all the children.
- To communicate with authorities and classes located in separate areas; directors would have cell phones, rosters, and children's forms.
- We have monthly drills in September, April, and May.

Fire

- Each classroom has 2 paths posted to get out of their room.
- Main level and level 2 rooms meet on the preschool playground in the fenced in area.
- Level G rooms meet on the sidewalk along the parking lot east of the building.
- A count will be taken to ensure we have all the children.
- Directors would have cell phones, rosters, and children's forms to communicate as necessary.
- If inclement weather demands, emergency services would bring a bus to house us.
- We have monthly fire drills.

Hazardous Substance Release

A need to Shelter-In-Place may occur in the event of a spill, train accident, manufacturing accident, or an accident involving a truck transporting a hazardous chemical.

- Authorities will notify us.
- Exterior doors will be closed and sealed 3 minutes from notification. Once the doors are sealed no one can enter or exit until authorities give us an all clear.
- Each classroom has a shelter-in-place plan.
- Classes will be on the Main level or higher since many chemicals weigh more than air.
- Most classes shelter-in-place in their own rooms by sealing doors and vents with plastic.
- We will stay in contact by cell phones or walkie talkies.
- Parent will be notified that we are sheltering in place.
- When we receive an all clear from authorities, we will head to the east side fenced play area for parents to pick up children.

RECOMMENDED HEALTH SUPERVISION PROGRAM

Child Health Assessments

Your child should be seen during the preschool years by a health professional according to the following schedule:

At birth	9 months	Then once per year until age 20
1 month	12 months	
2 months	15 months	
4 months	18 months	
6 months	24 months	

In other words, every child should be seen at least 13 times from birth to school entry. A careful examination of the eyes and ears should be included in the assessment.

Well Child Visit should include:

- a) A discussion of your child's physical and behavior problems with the physician.
- b) A health assessment of your child by the physician or nurse approved to perform health assessments. Including screening such as vision, hearing and blood tests.
- c) Immunization make sure your child has the necessary immunizations for his/her age. This is important for your child's health. Many childhood diseases can be prevented with regular health care visits and up-to-date immunizations. Discuss with your child's physician the appropriate course of immunizations. Your child's physician will also provide you with Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) prepared by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) regarding certain vaccinations your child will be given. Repeat immunizations as recommended by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Your child's physician may also discuss new vaccines with you as they become available.
- d) Discussion of your child's health history since the last visit.
- e) Written instructions concerning your child's care, diet and recommendations for the solution of any special health problems.
- f) Referrals when necessary to other persons for special services.
- g) Appointment for next well-child visit.

Dental

A child's initial visit to a dentist should take place within 6 months after the first tooth can be seen, but no later than 1 year of age. Following the initial visit, regular check-ups should be scheduled every 6 months.

Social-Emotional Health

Caring for your child’s social and emotional health is also an essential part of raising a healthy child. To learn more about age-appropriate development tasks as well as ideas for encouraging healthy social and emotional growth, visit:

www.brightfutures.org/mentalhealth/pdf/tools.html#families

Safety

Providing your child with a safe environment to grow is an important part of raising a healthy child. For information about safety precautions and more, visit: www.kdheks.gov/safekids/

**RECOMMENDED IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE
Ages 0-5 years**

At Birth	HepB
2 months	HepB + DTaP+ PVC + Hib + Polio + Rota 1-2 mos
4 months	DTaP - + PCV + Hib + Polio + Rota
6 months	HepB + DTaP + PCV + Hib + Polio + Rota (Influenza) 6-18 mos.* Annually
12 months	MMR + PCV + Hib + Varicella + HepA DTaP 12-15 mos*
18 months	HepA 6 mos after dose 1
5 years	DTaP + MMR + Polio + Varicella

Vaccine Descriptions:

- HepB:** protects against hepatitis B
- DTaP:** a combined vaccine that protects against diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (whooping cough)
- Hib:** protects against Haemophilus influenzae Type b (is not the “flu” vaccine)
- PCV:** protects against pneumococcal disease
- Polio:** protects against polio, also known as IPV
- Rota:** protects against infections caused by rotavirus
- Influenza:** protects against influenza (flu)
- MMR:** protects against measles, mumps, and rubella (German measles)
- Varicella:** protects against varicella, also known as chickenpox
- HepA:** protects against hepatitis A

*This is the age range in which this vaccine should be given. Influenza is a seasonal vaccine all children between the ages of 6 months and 18 years should receive vaccination during the influenza season each year. If this is the first time for flu vaccine, a child should receive two doses, separated by at least 4 weeks. If a child only received one dose in the first season, they should receive two doses the next season.

Note: If your child misses a dose of the needed vaccines, you do not need to start over. Just make an appointment quickly to go back to you doctor for the next shot. The doctor will help you keep your children up to date on their vaccinations so they are fully protected against many diseases.

For more information call: (785)296-1270 KDHE CCLR or (785)296-5591 KDHE Immunization program or visit: <http://www.kdheks.gov/bcclr/index.html> (or) <http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/index.html>

JOHNSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT EXPLANATION OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Camplobacter is a bacterial infection causing diarrhea, abdominal pain, malaise, fever, nausea, and vomiting.

Chickenpox is a highly contagious viral disease with slight fever and fluid filled skin eruptions, which continue to develop in clusters on the covered parts of the body and form a scab.

Echo Virus causes a fever, sometimes a headache, muscular and abdominal pain. There are 30 types of echoviruses.

Fifth Disease is a rash that begins on the face and results in an intensely red, "slapped cheek" appearance. A lace-like rash may appear on the trunk and upper extremities. The cause of Fifth Disease is unknown.

Giardiasis is an infection of the small bowel caused by a protozoa parasite. It may cause any or all of these symptoms: diarrhea, abdominal cramps, bloating, frequent loose, greasy, or mushy foul-smelling stools, fatigue, weight loss or no symptoms.

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease also called Herpangina is caused by the Coxsackie viruses. It is an acute, self limited viral disease with a sudden onset of fever, sore throat and small grayish fluid filled sores on the inside of the mouth, throat, cheeks and gums.

Head Lice (Pediculosis) are insects that attach themselves to hair shafts on the scalp and obtain blood meals similar to a mosquito.

Hepatitis A (Infectious) is a viral illness that causes inflammation of the liver. Symptoms can be: fever, loss of appetite, nausea, fatigue and abdominal pain in the area of the liver. Jaundice, yellowing of the skin and eyeballs may or may not be present. Children frequently have no symptoms or have a mild illness without any jaundice.

Hepatitis B (Serum) is a viral illness that causes inflammation of the liver. Symptoms can be: lack of appetite, abdominal discomfort, nausea, vomiting and jaundice. Fever may be absent or mild. It occurs in young adults.

Influenza is an upper respiratory disease-causing sore throat, headache, chills, fever, persistent cough, malaise and generalized aching. It is not vomiting and diarrhea. Vomiting may occur; it is not the main symptom.

Malaria is an infection caused by a protozoa parasite resulting from the bite of an infected mosquito.

Measles (Rubeola, hard, old-fashioned two-week measles) is an acute, highly communicable viral infection that causes a fever, cough, watery discharge from the eyes and nose, followed by a dusky-red, blotchy rash first appearing on the face before spreading all over the body.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the membranes that cover the brain and spinal cord. Meningitis may be caused by viruses, bacteria or chemicals.

Mumps is an acute viral illness characterized by fever, swelling and tenderness of the salivary glands in the neck.

Explanation of Communicable Diseases

Pink Eye (Kerato-conjunctivitis) is an acute bacterial infection of the eye with redness of one or both eyes, swelling of the eyelids and a discharge.

Rash like Illness is any rash. They should not be present at the day care until a physician diagnoses the cause. This time may vary depending on the diagnosis. Common causes may be Fifth, Rubella, Measles (Rubeola), Scarlet Fever, or other bacteria and viruses.

Reyes Syndrome is swelling of the brain and is an acute condition that may follow influenza and chickenpox infection in children from infancy to their late teens. It causes sudden vomiting, violent headaches and unusual behavior in children, who appear to be recovering from an often-mild viral illness.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever is a fever and rash caused by a rickettsial bacterium.

Roseola causes a fever followed by a rash. Cause is unknown. It is most common in infants from 6 - 24 months of age.

Rubella (3 day or German measles) is a viral illness causing a mild fever followed by a small rash usually beginning on the face and neck.

Salmonellosis is a bacterium causing abdominal pain, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and fever.

Scabies is a mite, which causes itching in the areas of the abdomen, genitals, and the webbing of the fingers.

Scarlet Fever is a rash caused by streptococci bacteria.

Shigellosis is a highly contagious bacterial infection of the bowel causing diarrhea, intestinal cramps, vomiting and fever.

Staphylococcal infection is caused by bacteria. It includes impetigo (multiple, weeping, crusted sores), boils, carbuncles, abscesses and infected lacerations.

Strep Throat is caused by the streptococci bacteria resulting in fever, headache, sore throat and tonsillitis.

Toxic Shock Syndrome is caused by a toxin produced by the Staphylococcus aureus bacteria. It begins suddenly with any or all the following symptoms: high fever, vomiting, profuse watery diarrhea, sore throat, headache, and muscle pain, abrupt drop in blood pressure, dizziness and rash. About 95% of the cases occur in young menstruating women of child-bearing age.

Tuberculosis is caused by a tubercle bacillus resulting in infection primarily in the lungs but may be in several other body sites.

Whooping Cough (Pertussis) is a bacterial infection that causes an irritating cough progressing into repeated violent coughing.

Please notify your child's teacher if your child contracts any of the above diseases.

Exclusion Policy for Ill Children

Children may not attend class if they display any of the following symptoms: vomiting, diarrhea, undiagnosed rash, discharge from eyes or ears, colored nasal discharge, unusual lethargy or irritability, difficult breathing, or showing evidence of a communicable disease. Children need to be kept home for 24 hours after the fever is back to normal. If a child becomes ill, please notify the office so we can notify parents that their child was exposed to a communicable disease. Call 913-385-0497.

Exclude If:	Re-Admit:
Temperature of 100° F orally, 101° F rectally or 99° F Axillary or higher	Free of fever for 24 hours
Temperature of 100° F orally, 101° F rectally or 99° F Axillary or higher plus one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. severe cold with yellow-green nasal discharge, b. cough c. sore throat d. sneezing e. swollen glands f. skin rash other than mild diaper rash g. any specific signs and symptoms of a communicable disease to which the child has been exposed 	Free of fever for 24 hours
Red, watery or draining eye (s)	All discharge whether purulent or not from the eye(s) has ceased
Drainage from the ear(s)	All drainage from the ear(s) has ceased
Any known contagious disease	When no longer in the communicable stage
Lice	After treatment free of lice and nits
Skin lesions, i.e., impetigo, ringworm and scabies	Skin sores dried/crusted
Vomiting; upset stomach-more than usual infant "spitting up."(1 in the last 12 hours or during the night)	Free of upset stomach and vomiting for 24 hours
Diarrhea	Free of diarrhea for 24 hours
Fainting or seizures or general signs of listlessness, weakness, drowsiness, flushed face, headache or stiff neck	Free of symptoms

SONSHINE SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021-2022

When we close due to weather, our teachers will call you.

AUGUST

- 10 – 7:00-7:30 p.m. (no children) Parent meet teacher
- OR
- 11 – 9:30-10:00 a.m. (no children) Parent meet teacher
- 16-18 – 9:30-11:30 a.m. - Get acquainted day
(Please come each day your child(ren) is enrolled to attend)
- 16 - 9:30-11:30 a.m. - Monday children attend their class
- 17 - 9:30-11:30 a.m. - Tuesday children attend their class
- 18 - 9:30-11:30 a.m. - Wednesday children attend their class
- 19 - 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. – First full day of school

SEPTEMBER

- 6 - No School- Labor day
- 27-30 – Infant Toddler Screenings (2 ½ and younger)

OCTOBER

- 12 – No School
- 13 - 14 - No School (Olathe out)
- 21 – “Dudes & Donuts” Bee, Ladybug, and Dino classes - evening - watch monthly newsletters for times.

NOVEMBER

- 22-25 – Thanksgiving Break - No School

DECEMBER

- 14 & 15 - Christmas Parties
- 20 - Through January 5 - No school - Christmas Break

JANUARY

- 6 – School resumes, “Pretend Monday” If your student attends school on a Monday, they come to school on this day.
- 10 – Regular School Calendar Resumes
- 17 – Martin Luther King Day – No School

FEBRUARY

9-10 - No school (Olathe Out)
14-15 - Valentine's Parties
21 - Presidents' Day - No School
22 - No School

MARCH

14-21 - No School - Spring Break
22 - School Resumes
25 - Dino Conferences

APRIL

12-13 Easter Parties
14 - No School (Olathe Out)
17 - Easter Sunday

MAY

10 & 11 - Graduations for 4's 1:45pm- in auditorium, on the main level
10 - Last day for Tuesday students
11 - Last day for Wednesday students
12 - Last day for Thursday students
16 - Last day for Monday Students - Last day of Sonshine School

- * If there are any changes in these dates, you will be notified.
- Interpreters of any kind for school events are the parents' responsibility.

Kid's Day Out classes are - Bear, Bunny, Duck, and Penguin
Preschool classes are - Bee and Ladybug (3's)
Pre-K class is - Dino (4's)