

Discovery Kids Preschool

Beaufort-Jasper YMCA of the Lowcountry

Staff Protocol

- All Staff are required to adhere to keeping a clean facility; this means doing their part in spot checking, sanitizing, and wiping down all equipment, counters, tablets, and furniture used every half hour to the hour.
- Staff will be required to take their temperature immediately upon entering the facility
- Temperature must be below 100.4 °F
- If someone comes inside from the heat, they will be allowed to take 5 min. to cool down before taking their temp. They will be asked to wait outside or away from others while doing so.
- Staff will be provided with gloves and masks during work hours.

Sanitizing and Hand Washing:

- All Staff are required to sanitize all activity areas after use.
- Children and Staff will be required to wash hands for 20 seconds frequently, as well as after each activity.

Social Distancing

- Children at these ages and stages of development has the natural tendency to engage in social and up close play; although we can attempt to explain to them why playing together needs to be a little different, we certainly will be deceiving ourselves if we expect them not to gravitate and naturally play together, therefore, in an effort to practice social distancing guidelines as closely as we can with this age group, we will have smaller settings for seating arrangements during lunch, instructional learning times, morning group times, table activities, as well as smaller groups during center times.

Temperature Checks

- We will conduct temperature checks daily for both staff and children.
- If at any point a child has a temperature over 100.4 °F, they will be isolated until parents or guardians can pick them up.
- Staff will be sent home immediately

Preschooler or Staff Re-Admittance

Preschooler or Staff must present one of the following:

- Doctors Note with a Clear Bill of Health
- Negative COVID-19 Test
- NO symptoms for 10 Days

Isolation policy

- If at any point throughout the day a child begins to display COVID-related symptoms, the Director will be notified, and the child will be kept in a designated isolation area. (Symptoms may include, fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell)
- The child's parents / guardians will be notified and asked to come and pick up their child.

Positive COVID Policy

- Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 °F or higher or anyone with known exposure to COVID-19 or who has tested positive for COVID-19 should do the following before returning to the YMCA:
- Inform the director if you are a staff member
- Parent should inform the director
- Get screened to be tested for COVID-19
- Self-isolate for 14 days (until a negative result from COVID test)

Centers /Activities

- Children's hands will be washed after each center and activity time.
- Staff will sanitize activity and center areas after each group use according to cleaning guidelines.
- Staff will disinfect furniture and materials in centers after each group's use.

Classroom Daily check List

- A daily classroom checklist will be posted, requiring staff to follow instructions regarding cleaning and sanitizing guidelines for the classroom, as well as safety guidelines for staff and children.
- Staff will be required to sign off indicating that instructions are being carefully followed.