

## CHILD GUIDANCE

- Leaders will model appropriate behaviour and problem solving techniques.
- Leaders will model respectful interactions with adults and children.
- Leaders will guide children in a positive and constructive way.
- Leaders will give children the encouragement they need to develop self-control.
- Leaders will approach children at eye level when speaking to them.
- Leaders will acknowledge children, respond attentively and show interest when children communicate with them.
- Leaders will facilitate a safe environment for children to express their feelings.
- Leaders will seek out meaningful interactions with each child and will encourage children to express their needs and desires (1.1a2)
- Leaders will encourage children to interact positively and respectfully with each other.
- Leaders will guide children to respect the rights of others (1.2a2)
- Leaders will try to encourage children to work out problems with their playmates verbally before intervening.
- Leaders will set rules and expectations that are age and ability appropriate.
- Leaders will be consistent in their guidance techniques.
- Leaders will keep parents up-to-date on the child's behaviour.
- Parents are encouraged to give feedback regarding guidance techniques to maintain consistency between the centre and the home environment.
- Leaders will try to calm and redirect a child who is having trouble maintaining control. The child will be directed to “time away” to choose another centre that no other children are playing at. Once a child is calm, they may re-join their playmates.
- Leaders will engage in active conversations with children and will allow children to finish speaking without interrupting.
- Leaders will not inflict or cause to be inflicted any form of physical punishment, verbal or physical degradation or emotional deprivation (3.2a).
- Leaders will not deny or threaten to deny any basic necessity (3.2b).
- Leaders will not use or permit the use of any form of physical restraint, confinement or isolation. (3.2c)
- Leaders will not withhold ANY food or food products as a form of guidance.
- All disciplinary action taken by Leaders shall be reasonable in the circumstances (3.1b).

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Parent Signature

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Date