



COVID-19 Health and Wellness Policy – May 27, 2020

Please remember that the COVID-19 public health emergency is rapidly changing. Our ability to remain open may change without notice or we may be ordered to close by BC's provincial health officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry, and/or our licensing officer.

Dr. Henry advises parents who can care for their children at home to do so. Dr. Henry maintains that childcare centers can safely care for children if they are following the prescribed health protocols. Accordingly, please review the following COVID-19 Health and Wellness policy, which applies to all children and staff within this facility.

Before arrival, parents are instructed to assess their children's health each morning at home. If the child has a temperature, they must remain home as per the health policy below.

SYMPTOM	MAY RETURN WHEN
Temperature of 100.4 F/37.8 C or higher (orally) or 99 F/37.2 C or higher (under the arm)	May return to childcare after 10 days or when symptom free, whichever is longer
Cough	May return to childcare after 10 days or when symptom free, whichever is longer
Sore Throat	May return to childcare after 10 days or when symptom free, whichever is longer
Difficulty Breathing or Wheezing	May return to childcare after 10 days or when symptom free, whichever is longer
Unexplained fatigue, aches or cold/flu like symptoms	May return to childcare after 10 days or when symptom free, whichever is longer
Children who have, or children with others living in the same home who have just returned from international travel	May return after self-isolating for 14 days and being symptom free
Children who have, or children with others living in the same home who have been identified as at-risk of potential COVID-19 exposure	May return after self-isolating for 14 days and being symptom free

Additionally, our regular health and wellness policy continues to apply:

Children may NOT attend the childcare program while they have any of the following symptoms:

- Unusual, unexplained loss of appetite, fatigue, irritability, or headache
- Eye infections
- Unexplained rashes or any rash that is not confirmed by doctor to be non-contagious
- Known or suspected communicable diseases (measles, chicken pox, pink eye, hand foot and mouth, etc.)
- Nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea in the last 24 hours and must stay home for 10 days to evaluate their symptoms

We do not recommend that children with any underlying health concerns attend childcare programs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

If your child develops any of the above symptoms while in our care, we will move them to a separate supervised area, and you will be required to pick them up immediately. Campus View Childcare will not be held liable for any changes of child's health.

If your child has **ANY** of the symptoms above, they are not able to return to Campus View Childcare for **10 days** after the symptoms first appear.

If a child begins to experience symptoms of COVID-19 while attending childcare:

- Symptomatic children are immediately separated from others in a supervised area until they can go home. In addition, where possible, anyone who is providing care to the child should maintain a distance of 2 metres.
- If a 2-metre distance cannot be maintained from the ill child, advice from the local public health unit will be necessary to prevent/limit virus transmission to those providing care.
- While contacting the public health unit, at minimum the child and childcare worker should wear a surgical / procedure mask (if tolerated).
- Hygiene and respiratory etiquette should be practised while the child is waiting to be picked up.
- Environmental cleaning of the space the child was separated in will be conducted once the child has been picked up.
- Contact the local public health unit to notify them of a potential case and seek input regarding the information that should be shared with other parents of children in the childcare centre.
- Children with symptoms must be excluded from childcare for 14 days after the onset of symptoms.
- Children or staff who have been exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19 or symptomatic person(s), will be excluded from the childcare setting for 14 days.

Health, Safety and Cleaning Procedures:

Drop off and pick up procedures

- Parents will walk to our Centre and knock on the front door and wait on the bottom of the stairs. *This is to limit the amount of people entering our facility*.
- Children will immediately go to the washroom and will wash their hands with soap and water for 30 seconds.
- Hang up outside clothing and change shoes in their cubby.
- At the end of the day, parents will knock on the Centre's door and a staff member will gather the child's belonging and bring them outside for pick up.

Supplies

- All soft items have been removed from the room, no dress-up, stuffies etc.
- Limited number of toys that are available for the children, no home toys
- We will not be providing any snacks at this time. Families must pack all utensils required for their child's lunch as well as no warm-ups
- Each child must bring their own water bottle
- Each child will have a designated bin with their own materials such as scissors, glue, markers, etc.

Outdoors

- Staff and children are encouraged to be outdoors as much as possible throughout the day
- Playgrounds on-site are closed

Cleaning Protocols

- Will have licensed approved disinfectant to be used to clean items
- Toys will be cleaned throughout the day. Limiting what is available will reduce what needs to be cleaned
- All high touch surfaces (door handles, light switches, washrooms, sinks etc.) will be cleaned 3-4 times per day

Health Protocols

- Staff and children will follow strict health protocols
- If a staff member is unwell with any of the above symptoms, they will be required to stay home and self-isolate for the next 10 days
- We will ensure and supervise that hand washing is being done when; entering the building, before and after eating times, washroom use, after coughing or sneezing etc.

Children are NOT required to physically distance from each other. We will encourage them to not congregate in a big group; however children are naturally social and will allow them to be social with each other. We are working hard to ensure this is a safe, calm and caring place for the children.