

Before & After School Program
1438 Coddle Creek HWY.
Mooreville, NC 28115

Aquatic Activities are defined as activities that take place in, on or around a body of water such as swimming, swimming instruction, wading, visits to water parks and boating. On days of Aquatic activities the children will arrive on site wearing their swim attire with a change of clothes and towel in a separate bag.

Supervision of Aquatic Activities:

- ✓ For every 25 children participating in aquatic activities, there must be at least one person who has a current life guard training certificate. These certified lifeguards cannot be counted in the required staff-child ratio.
- ✓ The following staff-child ratio must be maintained during aquatic activities 5 years and older 1:13.
- ✓ Regardless of the number of children participating, a minimum of two staff members must supervise aquatic activities at all times.
- ✓ Staff must be positioned in pre-assigned areas that will allow them – at all times – to hear, see and respond quickly to children. This includes the water area, seating/ child separation from activity for discipline, bathroom and changing areas.
- ✓ Adequate supervision must be maintained at all times. Half the center staff needed to meet staff-child ratios must be in the water and the other half must be out of the water.

Discipline during Aquatic Activities:

- ✓ Children that exhibit behavior that is a danger to themselves or others during aquatic activities will be removed from the water and separated from the other children. Once the negative behavior has been addressed the child will have the opportunity to rejoin the group. If the behavior persists the child will be written up and will be excluded from the activity for the remainder of the visit and will not be allowed to attend the next fieldtrip. If the child is unable to behave while in the excluded area a parent will be called to pick up the child at the aquatic facility immediately.

Aquatic Safety Hazards:

- ✓ In the event of a threat of severe weather the teachers and children will seek shelter in a safe, secure place out of danger. The children will be instructed to exit the water and return to our area for head count during an emergency.
- ✓ Teachers will scan the area for hazards such as glass, broken items etc. prior to children entering the pool area. Children may enter the pool area once the hazard has been removed.
- ✓ Any obvious health risks such as release of bodily fluids in the pool will mean the group will be removed until the risk has been resolved.
- ✓ Teachers must ensure that the Facility's safety rules are posted and the children have been instructed on these rules at each visit.

Aquatic Field Trip and Transportation Policies and Procedures:

- ✓ Existing policies and procedures will be followed during times of aquatic play.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____