



NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

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BEHAVIOR POLICY

PLEASE READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY. BY REGISTERING YOUR CHILD FOR OUR PROGRAM, YOU AFFIRM THAT YOU AGREE TO THIS INFORMATION. YOU MAY PRINT A COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT FOR YOUR RECORDS.

New Life Christian Preschool strives to create a quality learning environment. The purpose of our positive action plan is to develop a positive school climate and assist all preschool students in learning how to assume responsibility for their own behavior while participating in class together. Though these children are all just beginning to interact socially, and have not had much chance to practice skills of kindness, we believe every student has the right to attend a preschool, which encourages positive and productive learning within a safe and orderly environment. The goals of our positive action plan are:

- ❖ To make the expectations clear in the school and classroom
- ❖ To teach and model appropriate behavior
- ❖ To foster self-responsibility
- ❖ To build self-esteem
- ❖ To recognize appropriate behavior

The program's continuing development and evaluation will involve representatives from the Teaching Team, students, and parents, Preschool Director, Support Team, and Children's Ministry Director.

CELEBRATING POSITIVE BEHAVIOR

Each teacher has a variety of ways to celebrate each child's positive behavior. Some examples may be giving stickers out at the end of the day, verbal recognition, picking a small toy from a surprise box, notes home to the child's family- just to name a few.

SUPPORT

Although at the preschool age, a small amount of aggressive behavior is age-appropriate, poor behavior must not be so severe or persistent that it creates an intimidating or threatening environment. Behavior must not substantially disrupt the orderly operation of the classroom. Parents will be asked to sign a "Problem Solving Request" form for students who make poor choices. If the problem persists, a meeting will be scheduled between the parent, the teacher, the Preschool Director and/or Children's Ministry Director or Support Team member to discuss the problem and to come up with an action plan. Tahoma School District's 'Child Find' may be suggested to help evaluate the child.

RESPONSIBILITIES

As a Christian school, we want to partner with you and support you in your efforts to teach and raise Godly children. As your child begins to learn the social skills used in preschool that will continue to develop as they enter elementary school and throughout life, we welcome your involvement at school, we encourage dialogue with your child's teacher, and we urge discussion of this program at home.

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS – Please read these through with your child:

- ❖ I will try my best to share only kind words with other classmates and try to be a good friend to everyone.
- ❖ I will try my best to keep my hands and feet to myself.
- ❖ I will try to take care of the classroom toys and participate during clean up.