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Kids & Critters Christian Preschool  
 Child/Parent/Teacher  
 Behavior Agreement



It is our desire for every child to be and feel safe at Kids & Critters Christian Preschool. Part of safety is personal safety around others. It is important for children to learn to treat others with respect and kindness.

It is also important for children to learn to stand up for themselves and confront anyone who is threatening their personal safety. Often times a child will try something on another child to see what kind of reaction they will get. If they are reinforced with a smile or other positive actions, they will probably repeat the action again. Sometimes it will not be received with a positive response but depending on how the other child responds, they might think it is fun to make them whine, scream or cry. But if they are looked in the eye by the child who didn't like their action and confronted with a "please don't do that, I don't like it"; or "stop doing that, it hurts". It will give the other child a chance to apologize and make things right on their own. Sometimes they need help in this area.

After a problem is resolved, it would be good for the child to invite the other child to play with them "as long as they have kind hands and good manners". Then there will probably be a much better outcome for both children. If the child does not listen or respond positively to the child confronting, that is the time to ask for help from a parent, teacher or grown-up. Learning these important problem solving skills will be a strong foundation to healthy relationships in the future.

Therefore, I would like to have an understanding between children, parents and teachers at our school that we will be working on being respectful, gentle and a kind friend, using our words in problem solving rather than hurting others or whining, screaming or tattling before trying to resolve the issue with the other child first.

If there continues to be problems of hurting others or not wanting to be a kind friend at our school, we will ask that the child stay home for awhile or find another situation that would better meet the child's needs.

If a child is coming home complaining about another child or situation, please give me a call and let me know. Communication is very important and can resolve a lot of issues.

In conclusion, we are agreeing to keep Kids & Critters a safe place for all kids, critters, parents and teachers. We will use our words when a problem arises and work on respect, kindness and good manners.

Please sign if you agree: \_\_\_\_\_ (Child)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Mom)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Dad)

