MMA ELC Toddler Program Policies

Dear Parents,

We are thrilled to welcome you and your child to our MMA ELC Toddler Program!

As your baby continues to develop in amazing ways, our Toddler program supports every step of their growth. At MMA, we believe the world is our classroom, and we aim to foster curious exploration from the earliest ages. Toddlers learn best through purposeful play, and our environment is designed to facilitate the cultivation of their absorbent minds through a strategically designed day full of joyful, playful education.

If this is your child's first time in school, we want to help make the transition as smooth as possible for your family! It typically takes 1 - 4 weeks for young children to adjust to a new environment away from home, and we will treat your little one with the utmost loving care to help them thrive in this new phase.

In addition to the MMA Family Handbook, there are a few additional details pertaining specifically to our Toddler Program. It's important to share these in advance in order to set us up for success as a Home/School Family.

What We Provide:

- Breakfast (for those who arrive by 8:30 AM)
- Morning Snack
- Lunch
- Afternoon Snack
- Bibs for mealtimes
- Diapers
- Wipees
- All learning, development, and play materials used throughout the day
- Unlimited amounts of attention and TLC!

What You Need to Bring:

- 3 complete changes of clothes to be stored in their cubby (including socks) Once used, we'll send them home for washing and notify you to send in replacements.
- 2 crib sheets to cover the sleeping mats during nap time
- Blanket
- Any blankie or lovie your child likes to sleep with You can let us know if you want this to stay in their cubby or go home daily.
- Sweater and/or jacket to accommodate indoor/outdoor temperature changes
- Diapering ointment when needed (no sprays)
- Sippy cup for water this must go home daily for washing, per licensing law.

New for Toddlers:

If your child is graduating from our Infant Program, they will be learning to eat from a table, instead of a high chair. They will also begin napping all together at the same time on individual cots after lunch. These can be new life skills and routines for a toddler, and every new transition requires a little time to adjust. Rest assured, your toddler will have mastery of the new environment in no time!

Drop-Off and Pick-Up Details:

On the first day of school, every parent wants to exert extra doses of love to make sure their child feels safe and secure, and that's totally understandable! However, after the first day, it's actually best for the child if you don't linger in the classroom. The quicker you pop in and out, the quicker your toddler can start adjusting to their surroundings. We promise to take great care of your little one!

A friendly reminder from our Family Handbook that each child must be **<u>physically signed</u>** <u>**in and out of the room**</u> by the designated guardian each day of attendance, per state law. You will find the sign-in sheets in the classroom.

Last, but not least, we want to support you as a parent and help make your life easier! If you communicate your intended drop-off and pick-up times daily, we will do our best to help you with smooth and quick transitions. If we know what time you're coming, we can be on the lookout for you in the mornings. And if we know what time you're planning to pick up, we can work to have your child prepared and ready to go in the afternoons.

The following page must be filled out completely and submitted before the child's first day. You can bring in a hard copy on the first day or you can send it back in electronically.

MMA ELC Toddler Daily Schedule & Product Consent Form

Please fill out this form completely before your child's first day of school. It must be on file in the classroom.

Child's First and Last Name: _____

Diapers:

MMA uses <u>Andy Pandy</u> and <u>Dyper</u> Bamboo Disposable Diapers and Training Pants (depending on availability).

- $\Box\,$ I authorize my child to use these diapers / training pants.
 - My child is size S, M, L, XL. (Please circle the size your child needs.)
- □ I do NOT want my child to use these diapers, and I will supply my own.

My child currently uses: diapers / training pants / regular underwear (circle one)

Wipees:

MMA uses *WaterWipes* pure baby wipes.

- \Box I authorize my child to use these wipes.
- \Box I do NOT want my child to use these wipes, and I will supply my own.

Eating Schedule:

I am happy for my child to eat the following organic, kosher, whole-foods, plant-based meals made at school:

□ Breakfast (served upon arrival to all children who arrive by 8:30 AM)

- □ Morning snack
- □ Lunch
- □ Afternoon snack

Sleeping & Soothing Support:

What tips should we know to help your child get good rest at nap time? Any certain routines or tricks at sleep time that seem to help you at home?

What is the best way to soothe your child if needed?

Guardian's Name: _____

Guardian Signature _____