

# Honeybee Room 0-3

## Welcome Packet

### September 2020 Edition

Welcome to the Honeybee room! We are excited to share with you in this amazing time of your child's life! WE look forward to developing a mutually cooperative and respectful relationship with you to better support your family. We know that enrolling your child in childcare pose challenges for you. Some of these challenges are experienced by many families. We strive to be a nurturing, loving, compassionate, sensitive, supportive, encouraging, stimulating, and understanding. If you have any questions about your child's time spent with us, please do not hesitate to ask.

#### **Classroom Shifts**

Opener-7:15-3:15

Mid-shift-8:00-4:30

Closer- 10:00-6:00

#### **Honeybee Teachers**

Amber Stathopoulos

Jasmine Shafley

Patti Wille

We look forward to getting to know your family! We know drop off/pick up times can be hectic, you are always welcome to call us at: 614-262-6222. Or email us at [honeybeeroom@northbroadwaycc.org](mailto:honeybeeroom@northbroadwaycc.org)

Thanks,

#### **Supplies to Bring on your first day:**

**Bottles:** NBCC will provide Similac Pro- Advance Formula. You may use the formula provided or whatever brand you choose. **If you will be bringing breast milk, the milk will need to be provided in individual bottles that are clearly labeled with your child's first and last name, the date the milk was expressed and the date the bottle is brought to school.**

**Diapers:** Please bring in a pack of diapers. We will let you know when your child is running low. NBCC will provide wipes.

**Diaper Covers:** Licensing requires that clothing covers the diaper. If your child is wearing a dress or a skirt, please be sure to place shorts or bloomers over the diaper.

**Diaper Cream:** If your child uses diaper cream, we ask that you send some in for us to use as well. This is considered a medication and needs to be accompanied by the Request for Administration of Medicine form.

**Spare Clothes:** Please bring in at least 2 full sets of extra clothes for your child, including extra socks.

**Safe Sleep Infant 0-12 Months:** Infants are always placed on their backs to sleep until they are 12 months. We ask that you provide a mini crib sheet and sleep sack. Licensing does not permit there to be any stuffed animal's pillows or excess bedding in the cribs.

**Blankets for nap- Toddlers 12-36 months:**

During nap time your child is provided a cot to rest on. You may send a blanket, travel pillow, crib sheet, and a lovey to help your child feel more comfortable. We will clean all nap items weekly.

**Family Photo:** This is a great way for your child to stay connected with their families while they are at school. We will add your family photo to our family photo wall.

**Pacifier:** We will clean and sanitize your child's pacifier at least once a week.

**Indoor/Outdoor Shoes:** If your child would like to wear a pair of shoes inside the classroom, you may bring in a pair of shoes that are just to be worn inside. We will keep them here in the classroom.

## **Drop off/Pick up**

Drop off and pick up will now be at the backdoor of the Honeybee Room. You will come in the back gate heading towards the playgrounds and our door is the last door along that path. We have the door labeled Honeybees. Dropping off this new way may pose some new and tricky experiences for families and teachers, but we are here to make this as smooth as possible. Tears at drop off are normal, and often your child will calm down within a few moments. We will also be taking your child's temperature and asking the family a few screening questions at drop off. We will also take your child's temp again before pickup.

## **Home Toys**

As of now, we are not allowing children to bring in home toys other than a sleeping lovey or comfort idea. This is due to keeping as many germs as possible out of the room.

## **Potty Training**

Our goal with potty training is to have a consistent messages at home and at school so your child will not be confused. Everyday each child will be asked if they would like to try the potty. Often a child will gradually show increasing interest in trying the potty. Once a child is staying dry during most of the day is when we notice a child may be ready to start the process.

As you feel that your child (and your family) is ready to make the transition to underwear, we recommend spending a "weekend bootcamp" to try out underwear. This allows your child to

have a large amount of time to try out the underwear and get used to how they work. We like to have them work on the pulling up and down skill for themselves. Keep us in the loop as you try these underwear weekends so we can support your child at school too! Once your child has a “successful” weekend in underwear (Three or less accidents) We will try it at school. We will always encourage them, but we will not force them in this process.

## **Lunch/Snacks**

NBCC will be providing both breakfast and afternoon snack. Families will need to provide lunch. We ask that lunch is provided in all disposable packaging and please do not send water bottles or cups in. The office should send out the CACFP guidelines for what to send your children in for lunch. **Reminder NBCC is a nut free facility.**

## **Illness Policy**

If a child becomes sick with any symptoms, cough, fever, muscle aches, generally not feeling well, we ask that you notify us and keep your child home. The NBCC pandemic handbook has more information about this.

If a child becomes sick at school, the child will be taken to a secluded and comfortable area of the room to social distance and a teacher will notify the family. The child will **NEED** to be picked up within **30 mins**

Thank you, and welcome to the Honeybees!