Welcome to A Child's Garden 2021-2022

Dear Families,

Greg

Welcome to the 2021–2022 school year. Please join us in welcoming Ms. Airiana as the lead teacher of your child's classroom. She comes to us with a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education from Towson University and has been teaching preschool since she graduated.

We are all excited for the new school year and getting to know all our new and returning students and families. Our program allows for creativity, Play -based learning and hands-on exploration. The school's philosophy of "learning through play" allows young children to explore concepts and develop skills at their own pace. Young children absorb knowledge through the use of their senses and movement. Concepts will be explored both inside and outside of the classroom though play and exploration. This will allow for individual growth while increasing pre-reading readiness, mathematic skills, understanding of nature and self/social awareness. We are excited to offer your child a program rich in S.T.E.A.M exploration and activities. Sincerely,



First day of school 8/23/2021

Current school hours for extended care 7:30-5:00

Please look for our monthly newsletter and calendar to be emailed to you monthly.

Open communication is very important to us. Please email us at achildsgarden2@verizon.net or Call us 410-647-2300 if you have any questions or concerns.

Important Reminders

If your child stays for lunch:

- Remember that we are a <u>nut free facility</u>. You may substitute soy butter for peanut butter. Please Clearly label that it is soy butter.
- All perishable items (milk, cheese, yogurt, etc.) need to be <u>labeled with your child's name</u> and <u>must</u> be placed in a zip-lock bag. The rest of the items may be in the lunchbox labeled with your child's name.
- Please note that we do not heat food at lunchtime.

If your child stays for naptime:

- Please send in a <u>small</u> pillow and blanket in a bag <u>labeled</u> with your child's name. Reusable shopping bags work great! Nap items will be sent home every <u>Friday</u> to be laundered. Please return these items every <u>Monday</u>.
- You may also send in a small stuffed animal for your Child to sleep with, if needed.
- A cot sheet will be provided for your child which costs \$9 and the Charge will appear on your first bill.

General Safety Rules:

- Please put sunscreen and bug spray on your child in the <u>morning</u> before coming to school. If your child stays all day we will <u>reapply after nap</u>. Please supply both items <u>labeled</u> <u>with your child's name</u> if you would like us to reapply at school.
- Shoes with secure backs or tennis shoes are required for children to play safely on the playground. Flip-flops and Crocs are <u>prohibited</u>.

Class Supply List

supplies required:

- 1 pack of glue sticks
- 1 Elmer's glue bottle
- 1 box of 8 count Crayola washable markers
- 1 box of Crayola Crayons
- Water color pallet
- Pack of dry erase markers
- 1 pack of sharpie markers either multi or plain black
 - Please place an extra set of clothing (including socks and underwear) in a <u>labeled</u> Ziploc bag that is weather appropriate.
 Please update as the seasons change.
 - Please bring a water bottle/drink cup

