**Child Health Care Policy**

Staff members will observe each child’s daily health. If a staff member observes a child developing symptoms of illness during the day, the child will be isolated from the other children and the family will be called to pick up the child. Please note that someone must be available to pick up the child **immediately** upon receiving a phone call from school.

For the health and well-being of all children, a child must be kept home if (s)he develops any of the following symptoms of contagious disease and must remain home until symptom free for **at least** 24 hours or **1 full day**

* + - * + Tears, redness of eyelids with discharge
        + Mouth sores with or without drooling
        + Unusual spots or rashes
        + Infected skin patches such as ringworm, impetigo
        + Severe itching of body or scalp such as lice, scabies
        + Unusually cranky, less active behavior
        + Stiff neck
        + Loss of appetite
        + Gray or white stool
        + A parasite such as pinworms
        + Any other contagious or communicable disease
        + Influenza
        + Diarrhea and/or vomiting

If a child is diagnosed with any communicable disease, the family must inform the nurse immediately. Children will be re-admitted to class with a doctor’s note when they are **symptom free for 24 hours**.

In case of illness, accident, or injury, we will attempt to reach parents first. If we are unable to reach you, your emergency contacts will be called. Please make sure that you update your emergency information, as necessary. If no one is available to pick your child up and it is deemed necessary that medical care be sought, your child will be taken to the emergency room.

A return to program note from your child’s physician will be required if your child suffers severe medical condition, (such as new onset seizure activity, an anaphylactic reaction, or a broken bone). The nurse will inform you if this is required.

Any child that arrives at school, by bus or parent drop off, exhibiting symptoms of illness will not be permitted to stay in school. A parent and/or emergency contact will be notified to pick up the child.

**Peanut/Nut-Free Information**

We are a **PEANUT/NUT-FREE school**.

This means no peanut butter, peanuts, or nut derived food products are permitted in the building. We have adopted this health and safety measure, as I am sure you know, in response to the number of children with peanut allergies, as well as the severity of the allergic reactions. Prime Time for Kids is dedicated to ensuring the health and safety of the children attending our program.

**COVID-19**

If your child has any of the symptoms below, (s)he should be tested for COVID-19:

* + - Fever or chills
* Cough
* Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
* Fatigue
* Muscle or body aches
* Headache
* New loss of taste or smell
* Sore throat
  + - * Congestion or runny nose
      * Nausea or vomiting
      * Diarrhea

If your child tests negative (s)he may return to school when (s)he is symptom-free for at least 24 hours. If your child tests positive, you must notify PTFK immediately and follow quarantine and isolation guidance.