



UPDATED STANDARDS OF SAFETY AND PRECAUTION FOR RE-OPENING OF INTOWN JEWISH PRESCHOOL

In accordance with the recommendations of the CDC, and Bright From the Start Child Care Licensing we have incorporated the following new guidelines and rules at IJP.

Please see addendums listed on our website as sources for additional details and explanations of the new regulations. (coming soon) ***These rules may be updated and or changed as per BFTS. We will continue to update our standards as necessary should they be changed at any time.***

1. IMPLEMENTED SOCIAL DISTANCING

Only essential staff to IJP will be allowed on to our property. All our staff at IJP and any workers in the building will have been screened according to the CDC guidelines and deemed safe to work in the school. All other people/ adults including parents will not be allowed to enter the property. (See; drop off and pick up below) When feasible, children may practice social distancing in appropriate manners. Some examples include extra space between sleeping naps, extra space between mealtime seating spots, avoiding mixing class groups over 25 children. The nature of child play, learning and growth is that of human connection and touch and we will not be altering our games or activities to allow for avoiding touch.

A daily rescreening of both children and staff will occur (see: screening details below)

2. INTENSIFIED CLEANING AND DISINFECTION

We have been continuously cleaning and disinfecting the school while the kids have been out. We have disinfected every single toy, shelf, table, chair cabinet and utensil. We have washed or removed anything that can fit in the washer and dryer including pillows, carpets and dolls. We will continue to implement a higher standard of sanitizing and increasing times for handwashing for both the children and teachers. A daily cleaning schedule for toys and utensils will be posted in each classroom. A nightly cleaning and disinfecting will also take place of every item that was used that day. Additional handwashing times for minimum of 20 seconds, has been updated and added to the class routine when feasible and schedule and will be posted in each room. If your child remains for nap – the nap mat and all pillows and blankets will remain in school in large Ziplock bags when not in use and will be sent home Fridays for wash n return. **Children cannot bring toys from home.**

3. MODIFIED SUMMER HOURS & APPROVAL FOR ENTRY

We will no longer offer pre-care and after care. Our summer program will be from 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday with staggered drop off and pick up times to ensure a safe and organized drop off and pick up. **You must follow the designated times for your class.** All children will be screened before being allowed into class. (See; screening procedures below)

4. CAR POOL LINE ONLY

Drop off and pick up will be via ‘carpool line’ on our usual carpool roundabout. Parking and walk ins **ARE NOT ALLOWED.** If there is a line, please wait and pull over to the side so thru traffic can pass. To avoid traffic build up, move your car all the way up until the end of the lane, allowing for space for 3 cars at a time. The IJP staff are unable to buckle your child in to your car. You will need to step out, buckle them and help them in the car. **Please wear a mask during carpool times.** During pick up and drop off, staff will always be wearing gloves and masks .

5. CHILD SCREENING:



At any point, if any immediate family members contract COVID-19, the child will be required to stay home until the immediate family member is quarantined for fourteen days, and free of Covid and the child does not exhibit any symptoms for fourteen days. The IJP must be informed and we in turn must notify the BFTS. **We ask that Grandparents or anyone with underlying medical conditions NOT be allowed to drop off or pick up your child as this is a risk to their health.** You will need to wait while we screen your child. It will be done quickly yet efficiently. Please do your own screening at home before sending your child to school. Be sure they don't have fever, runny nose, cough, diarrhea or any of the illnesses listed in our parent handbook, and do not medicate your child before sending to school. We will take your child's temperature and check for any signs of illness. We will ask you basic questions about your child's and family's health. We reserve the right to ask you to keep your child home if other siblings are exhibiting illnesses. Once deemed safe to join, we will give you the OK and your child will be escorted to class by one of our staff members. The children will wash their hands before entering the class, monitored by a staff member.

6. DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES NEW DROP OFF TIMES

Once all of our students are fully registered, and we have exact headcount for each group, we will post the drop off/pick up schedule. Please keep in mind that this is done to ensure quick drop offs and we will need you to stick to their time slot. If you do arrive in another time, you will be asked to wait on the side until all the designated cars in that time slot are completed. The week of June 8 we will NOT have a staggered drop off and pick up schedule. Drop off is from 8:55-9:05.

7. MODIFIED ENTRY AND ACCESS TO IJP

All persons except the following will be prohibited from accessing our building: operation staff, law enforcement officers, Child Care Licensing staff, and Department of Children and Families protective services staff; professionals providing services to children; children enrolled at the operation. **Parents will not be allowed in the building.** All permitted staff will be rescreened daily before entering the building.

8. STAFF SCREENING PROCEDURES UPON ARRIVAL

In addition to the previous screening of our staff's health and safety, they will be rescreened daily upon arrival.

9. MAINTAINING AN ADEQUATE RATIO OF STAFF TO CHILDREN TO ENSURE SAFETY.

Our class sizes will remain high teacher to child ratio as we adhere to during the school year. Children and childcare providers will not change from one group to another. Each class will remain in their respective classrooms and not change classes during the day. Outside play will be limited to only 25 children in a group at a time.

10. MASKS AND GLOVES

When feasible, staff members and children over the age of 3 may wear face coverings within the facility. We are not requesting children or staff to wear masks. If a family would like their child to wear a mask, we will ask them to purchase our special child friendly face shields instead to be used. This will allow for easier breathing, less heat and better visibility. Staff will always be allowed to wear masks if they wish.

11. FOOD

We will not be serving family style meals or snacks. Thus, we will not be providing Pizza Friday Lunch. To avoid extra food contamination and exposures, we will NOT be serving snacks during the summer



program. All snacks must be brought from home, following our guidelines. We recommend you to send FRESH FRUIT for morning snack and a dry afternoon snack. **No meat** allowed for lunch or snack. In addition, please send your child with a reusable water bottle or sippy cup, we will be sending those home daily. You can choose to send a disposable water bottle which we can refill during the day if needed, or they can use a provided plastic cup. You must include utensils with your snacks and they will be sent home unwashed daily.

12. WATER PLAY

Water play days and times will be decided by each class. We will be using water slides, sprinklers and the likes vs pools that collect water. If the slide accumulates water on the bottom, we will pour child safe chlorine used especially for these pools. The equipment will be hosed down and disinfected after each use. Children will only be allowed in, if they remembered to bring towels and water shoes.

13. SUMMER ENROLLMENT

The first day of camp is Monday, June 8 and it runs for seven weeks through Friday, July 24. An extended camp option will be available for two weeks from July 27-August 7. This is part of our 12 month enrollment for families enrolled 2020-2021. Families will be given two options. You may choose a weekly enrollment for an additional fee. Discounted rates are given to families that enroll in full. We are hopeful we will operate without interruptions. In the event of closure, we will provide week by week refunds. Please check our dates and rate on our website (camp section) A security fee will be charged \$36 per month per family.

If you are uncomfortable with sending your child to school with these precautions in place, please keep your child at home. These precautions are in place to provide every effort to keep every child and family safe; however, this does not provide any guarantee of any kind. As the parent of the child attending, you assume all risks associated with allowing your child to begin attending. That being said, we are doing everything we can in our power to keep every child safe during this time. Working together during this time is important.