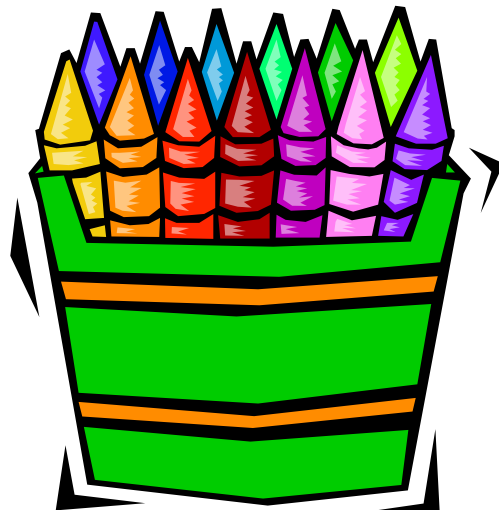


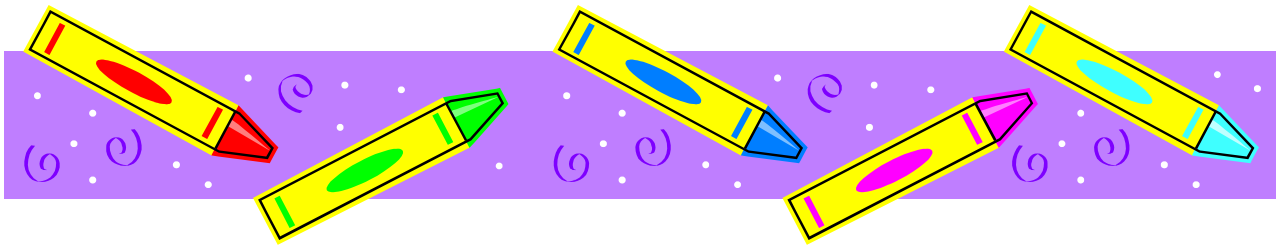
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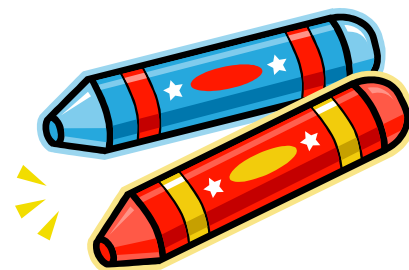
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Discovery Child Care is a licensed DHS Group Home that is open to preschool and after school children from the ages of two through eight, regardless of race, ethnic background or religious affiliation.

My purpose is to nurture children with love, help develop their self-esteem and to provide a home in which children can grow physically, spiritually, emotionally, and academically while having their needs met in a safe and loving environment.

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Daily Schedule



7:30 am ~ Discovery Child Care opens

7:30 - 9:00 am ~ Free choice play
(Puzzles, coloring, audio-tapes, etc.)

9:00 - 9:30 am ~ Bathroom and snack time

9.30 - 11:00 am ~ Preschool activities, story time, arts
and crafts, counting numbers, calendar
activities, etc.

11:00 - 12:00 pm ~ Outdoor play time

12:00 - 12:30 pm ~ Lunch

12:30 - 1:00 pm ~ Bathroom and prepare for nap time

1:00 - 3:00 pm ~ Nap-time and quiet time, quiet activities
for non-nappers

3:00 - 5:30 pm ~ Snacks, games, and free choice play

5:30 pm ~ Discovery Child Care closes

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Toy Policy

If your child would like to bring a toy to preschool, please limit his or her choice to one or two toys. Please make sure the toy is suitable for children two years old and up. No small, removable parts (choke items) and it should be a toy that your child can share with the other children.

Please, no aggressive type toys and no weapon type toys such as guns, knives, etc. If in doubt about the nature of the toy, please leave it at home.

*Parents tip: Have your child pack his or her backpack with a choice of a toy the night before. It then becomes your child's job or responsibility!



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Dress Policy

Please have your child wear comfortable clothes and rubber or non-slip sole shoes (no "party" clothes or cowboy boots). If your child insists upon wearing party clothes or cowboy boots please do not stress, just bring a change of clothes and shoes for the day!

Each child should have an extra set of clothes to cover against toilet accidents, vomiting, etc. Bring a change of clothes for summer and winter. They will be stored in your child's cubby. They should also be labeled with your child's name.

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Health and Safety Policy

Up-to-date records of vaccination and immunization must be on record at group home within 10 days of enrollment.

Inform the provider immediately of any changes in your address or telephone number so that we can reach you in an emergency.

Accident insurance is carried on each child, which covers the child while at the group home.

Fire evacuation drills are conducted monthly in compliance with the Phoenix Fire Department regulations.

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Illness Policy

After a fever, a child's temperature must be normal (98.6) for 24 hours before he/she returns to Discovery Child Care.

Often, children may ask to come to child-care even though they are ill. Although your child may be disappointed, please keep him/her at home if he/she is sick.

If your child becomes ill while at school and you are called, please cooperate by picking up your child promptly. I will not call unless your child needs to be at home.

Please notify Discovery Child Care before 9:00 am if your child is ill and unable to attend school that day.

Daily health evaluations are conducted every morning on each child. Please allow time for this in case your child cannot be admitted to Discovery Child Care that morning.

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Medication Policy

You must complete a "Request for Giving Prescription Medication" form before I will dispense any medication.

Medicine must be properly labeled and delivered to the person in charge.

Medicine is given at 12:00 pm (Noon) ONLY

I will only dispense medication that has been prescribed by a physician and over the counter (if approved by physician)

Never leave any kind of medication (even vitamin pills or cough drops) with your child or in a backpack.

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Discipline

The goal of discipline is to help children manage their own behavior. Two house rules are:

- 1) We are kind and do not hurt each other.
- 2) We ask first before taking someone's things.

Under no circumstances are the children spanked, shaken, or otherwise harshly punished. "Time-Out" procedure is used.



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Nap / Quiet Time

Nap / Quiet time lasts approximately 2 hours (between 1-3 pm). All children will either use the toilet or have a diaper change before nap / quiet time. Each child taking a nap will be given a vinyl pad and sheet to sleep on. Non-napper will stay in the family room for quiet time. Each child may bring a favorite blanket to snuggle with, and non-nappers may bring a quiet time toy, book, or video.



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Vacation Policy

I usually take between 2-3 weeks vacation and 2-3 long weekends.

No fee is required during my time off. There is a fee for holidays listed in provider-parent contract.

I do not provide back up care.

