

# **Kinderplatz of Fine Arts**

An introduction to our safety measures and what to expect when your child attends school.

#### Dear Parents,

The staff of KFA have been busy preparing Kinderplatz for the safest environment possible for your child. We will follow Governor Abbott's and the CDC's guidelines for Child Care as long as necessary. There are many important changes we have implemented at Kinderplatz and we want you to be aware of them and prepare you and your child for what to expect.

#### **Parent Checklist:**



- ☐ Turn in all paperwork-no entry without it!
- Apply sunscreen before arrival (bug spray if needed). We will be going outdoors as weather permits. (KFA applies sunscreen in the pm if we go outdoors.)
- ☐ Sun hat/sunglasses (seasonal)
- ☐ Change of clothing (we will not have extra clothes available)
- ☐ 1 snack if your child leaves between 12:00pm-12:30pm
- □ 2 snacks and a lunch if you have an all-day student
- ☐ Wet wipes and diapers if your child is not potty trained.
- All day students will need a small bedroll or crib sheet & blanket, and small pillow for nap. If your child would like to bring a soft lovey to nap with, it must stay at school for the week. Nap items will be sent home at the end of the week.

# Additional Safety Measures:

- We are limiting the amount of people who enter our building.
- Proper handwashing will be taught and implemented in all classrooms throughout the day.
- Drop off and pick up times will be staggered if needed.
- Temperature check at least twice a day.

# Classroom Adjustments:

- No rotating until the Pandemic is over. There will be no mixing of groups, morning or afternoon children. Everyone will have a self-contained classroom.
- Each group has their own team of teachers that will work only with their group.
- Classes will be divided into two groups within the classrooms when needed.
- Separate playtimes outdoors. Everyone plays within their own groups.

#### Your Child's Classroom:

Your child's homeroom will be the classroom that they will spend all their time indoors. Before your child attends school, you will receive a welcome from your child's teachers and more information about their homeroom class. Your child's teacher will send a picture or video of the homeroom classes team so you and you child can become familiar with their faces.

The class will be separated into two groups when needed and the children will remain with their group while they are at school. The classroom is organized so that both groups within the classroom will experience the staples of Kinderplatz including Language Arts, Math, Science, Art, Music and Creative Play everyday.

#### Your Child's Class will have a set schedule that might be similar to this one:

- 7:30am-9:15am Tray Work/Floor Work
- 9:15am-9:35am –Music and Movement
- 9:35am 10:10am LAMS Centers
- 10:10am-10:30am bathroom / snack
- 10:30am-11:10am Outdoor Play
- 11:10am-11:50am Creative Play/ Drama Activities
- 11:50am-12:30pm Art/ Sensory (screen temperature)
- 12:30pm-1:30pm Lunch/Bathroom
- 1:30pm 3:00pm Nap
- 3:00pm-3:30pm Wake up/Bathroom (screen temperature)
- 3:30pm-4:00pm Snack
- 4:00pm 5:00pm Afternoon Centers/Activities
- 5:00pm-5:30pm Outdoor Play (weather permitting)
- 5:30pm-6:00pm Clean up and dismissal

#### **Teacher Contact Information**

You will also receive your child's teacher's contact information as well as the drop off and pick up liaison.



### Sanitizing, Snack and Lunch:

- Families will be providing their own child's individual snacks and lunch for all day students.
- We will not be able to refrigerate lunches so please put a freezer pack in any lunch that needs to be cooled.
- We are to have a window open and more ventilation in the building.
- We will teach proper hand washing through the day as part of our routine.
- We will sanitize frequently touched surfaces several times per day.
- We will celebrate birthdays without food items.
- We use COVID-19 approved Pure & Clean sanitizer/disinfectant in spray mist bottles. It is environmentally safe and child friendly.

#### Masks and Gloves:

- Gloves are not mandatory. We will use proper handwashing and antibacterial soap.
- Masks are not mandatory for the children. <u>Teachers and staff members will wear masks in accordance with Tarrant County mandates</u>. If you prefer for your child to wear a mask that is fine. We will make certain they keep them on if this is your preference.

## Drop Off Procedure:

#### Be prepared to wait!

There is no parking in front of the building. If for some reason you have good cause to enter the building, parking spaces are limited to the last four at the west end of KFA or the Trinity River parking lot. Please do not get out of your car.

At your first drop off, please display your child's name on your rearview mirror. We will provide you with a sign to display on your rearview mirror when you arrive on your child's first day of school. On your first day, please help us by making your own.

#### Procedure:

- A teacher will come to your car. Roll down your window near your child. COVID-19 checklist questions will be posted in front of parking spaces. If you can answer yes to any of the questions, your child may not come to school.
- After you answer the questions, they will take your child's temperature in their car seat.
- If everything is a go, they will move away from the car and ask you to take your child out and hand them off.
- The teacher will take each child to their self-contained classroom and drop them, their belongings and lunches. Children will have their own labeled space and all items will be sprayed with a sanitizing mist.



# Introduction to Sue Crawford – Director of Afternoon Programs and Professional Development

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=445bqLqp-AI

# KFA Philosophy

- We believe that children learn best when they are very young, they learn best by doing, and they learn best when they are enjoying themselves.
- Young children have a unique way of viewing the world, and they require and deserve an atmosphere that will allow for their full growth and development. The most important thing for a child to learn is self-confidence and self-esteem. At Kinderplatz, children have the opportunity to take risks, and to be adventurous and imaginative in an atmosphere of security and comfort.
- We believe success and the satisfaction of achievement are the birthright of every child. Children need a place to grow, stretch, change, reach, feel and become! All this is possible, at Kinderplatz of Fine Arts.

# KFA Video Tour

https://youtu.be/V7OJoLfxSVQ