

River Falls Kids Club

COVID 19 Sick Child/Staff Policy:

The safety and wellbeing of all staff, children, and the families at Kids Club continues to be of utmost importance to us. We always commit to taking all precautions toward keeping children and staff safe and healthy, including the current time of the COVID-19 outbreak. Following this staff/sick child policy will help Kids Club to do this.

Staff/Children will be monitored for signs or symptoms of COVID-19 daily. **Staff/Children will be asked to stay home or return home if any of the following applies:**

- Have a fever of 100.4 or higher
- Have had a fever of 100.4 or higher or other potential symptoms of COVID-19, such as shortness of breath or persistent dry cough, within the last 72 hours
- Presenting with a cough, congestion/runny nose, sore throat, shortness of breath, diarrhea, nausea or vomiting, fatigue, headaches, myalgia, poor feeding or appetite that are outside of a students baseline.
- Have come in contact with others who have COVID-19

If your child will be asked to stay home with the above symptoms or is sent home with any of the above symptoms, you will be asked to have a COVID test done:

- If you have the COVID test done and it comes back negative, they can return once they are symptom free for 24 hours.
- If it comes back positive, then public health will be notified and they will follow up
- If you choose not to have a COVID test, then your student will stay home 72 hours (3days) after symptoms resolve without the use of medication.

If your child has symptoms after being exposed to a positive case of COVID and they had close contact, they must quarantine for 14 days past the last exposure and monitor symptoms.

If they have been exposed to someone with COVID, but show no symptoms and did not have close contact, they can come to daycare, but must monitor for symptoms.

Household members who become ill:

- COVID positive household: Public health will determine “close contacts” and exclude as appropriate, typically this will be the 14 days since the last exposure to the ill patient.
- COVID negative household/Unknown: all “well” individuals are able to attend school as usual.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Staff/Children with signs/symptoms of COVID-19 or who have been exposed to others with COVID-19 will be asked to stay home
- Staff/Children who develop signs/symptoms of COVID-19 while at the program will be immediately separated from others and the program staff will contact the family member and/or emergency contact to pick the child up
- We encourage families to practice frequent handwashing at home
- Kids Club will practice handwashing upon arrival to the program, before meals and snacks, after outdoor play, after using the bathroom, prior to going home, after nose blowing or assisting a child with blowing their nose, coughing, or sneezing
- Cover cough and sneezes with tissues, throw tissues in the trash, and clean hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer (if soap and water is not readily available)
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at least daily, including tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks

If an enrolled child or employee tests positive for COVID-19:

- The local public health department and the Department of Children and Families Bureau of Early Care Regulation will be contacted. Kids Club will follow their guidance for next steps
- The program will post and notify families of any confirmed staff or child cases of COVID-19

Returning to a child care facility after suspected COVID-19 symptoms

If a staff member or child has symptoms of COVID-19 or is in close contact of someone with COVID-19, they can return to the child care facility if the following conditions are met:

- If an individual has a fever, cough or shortness of breath and has not been around anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, they can return to the center no sooner than 72 hours after the fever is gone (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and symptoms get better. If the person's symptoms worsen, they should contact their healthcare provider to determine if they should be tested for COVID-19.
- If an individual is diagnosed with COVID-19, they must remain out of the program for a minimum of 7 days after the onset of first symptoms. They must contact their county's Health Department and ask for a return to school letter. This letter will state the date they can return to Kids Club.

I, (family member name) _____, parent/guardian of,
_____, have read and agree to the above sick child policy amendment.

Family member signature: _____ Date: _____