

## ? ? ? ? ? Frequently Asked Questions ? ? ? ? ?

**1. What are your hours of operation?**

We open at 7:00 AM and close at 6:00 PM daily. No children can be admitted before 7:00 AM and late charges will apply if a child is picked up after 6:00 PM.

**2. Is breakfast served at the CDC?** No. All children must eat breakfast at home. Please do not bring food in with your child in the mornings such as pop-tarts, cereal etc. We provide a morning snack for the children but not breakfast. We also provide lunch and an afternoon snack for Full time children.

**3. What are your class sizes?** We comply with the ratios set by DSS. In our Infant and Creeper Rooms we have a maximum of 8-9 children with 2 teachers. In our Toddler Room we have anywhere from 6-12 students with 2 teachers. Our 2 year olds have 7 students. Our 3 year olds have 10-11 students. Our 4 year olds have a maximum of 12. Our K-5 class has a maximum of 15 students with 1 teacher.

**4. What curriculum do you use?** We use the Southern Baptist WEE Learn curriculum, which is a faith based weekly thematic curriculum. In addition the 4s and 5s use portions from the ABEKA curriculum for reading, phonics and math. The children have daily Bible Stories, verses, prayer and are taught Christian values. Basic school skills such as ABCs, shapes, colors, numbers, math skills, science exploration, music and movement are also taught to correlate with the weekly theme.

**5. At what age is my child required to be potty trained?** All children entering our Three-year-old rooms are required to be potty trained. This includes being able to wipe themselves and take care of pulling down own clothing. No pull-ups or diapers are allowed in the Three-year-old classes as none of those classrooms meet diaper-changing regulations.

**6. What are the qualifications of the teachers?** As a church facility we require that all our staff be Christians and active members of a like faith church. In addition they must all be fingerprinted and pass a SLED and FBI background check and Child Abuse Registry check, and have a TB test and health assessment. Staff is required to complete 15 hours of training each year in order to remain employed. Many of our staff have earned the South Carolina Early Childhood Credential.

**7. Can my child bring something from home to eat if he/she does not like what is on the menu that day?** We do not allow any food to be brought into the center from home for lunch unless it is a medically documented food allergy. You may bring a snack for the whole class for your child's birthday.

**8. Do you take credit cards or automatic bank withdrawals for payment?** No. We only take checks or cash payments. However if you have online banking you might check with your bank about setting up the CDC as one of your payable accounts as an alternative to writing personal checks. Cash payments must be given directly to the Office so we can write you a receipt. Receipts for checks are available upon request.

**9. Are you licensed by DSS?** We are not licensed by DSS, but we are a REGISTERED church facility (#56). We still have to follow all of the DSS, DHEC, and Fire Marshall Regulations for childcare centers in terms of health and safety issues and staffing. We are inspected twice a year by DSS to make sure we are in compliance of ratios.