



# Portland Nursery School

## Discipline Policy

Disapproved behavior includes running in the classroom, hitting, throwing sand or other objects, being unusually disruptive to the point where the teacher has to stop or delay a planned activity, making unusually loud noises, wrestling or other behavior deemed inappropriate by the teacher.

If the child is doing any of the above, the following procedure will be implemented.

1. The child will be given two warnings and a third offense will result in a time-out in a designated area of the classroom. Two time-outs in a single day will result in written notification to the parent of the child's behavior. A parent/teacher conference will be scheduled if there are two notes home in one month. The child can be included at the conference at the option of the parent.
2. More serious behavior such as hard hitting, aiming and throwing an object at someone, etc., not going to extreme as listed in #3, would constitute an immediate time-out.
3. There are specific behaviors which will result in immediate removal of the child from school that day.
  - a) Uncontrollable temper tantrums.
  - b) Physically aggressive behavior that could pose a threat to another child's wellbeing.
  - c) If either should occur twice, then it will be brought to the attention of the association.

If a parent cannot be reached that day, the teacher will contact the parent and arrange a parent/teacher conference.

Following a specific discipline policy hopefully will bring a measure of security and predictability into the school experience of your child and will ensure a more rewarding day for the teacher, the working parents and especially for the children.